

EXPOSE

country. **'export**, n. Exporting; thing exported. (eks'pɔ:t).
ex'pose, v.t. Make uncovered, open to view; put in position open to some danger, sp., effects of weather; make wrongdoing of (person) public; let light onto (camera plate). **ex'posure**, n. Exposing, being exposed. (iks'pəuz).
ex'posé, [F.] n. Short account of facts of something; statement making wrongdoing public. (eks'pəzei).
expo'sition, n. EXHIBITION; see EXPOUND. (ekspou'ziʃn).
ex'postulate, v.i. Make protest, sp. kindly (freq. *e. with*). (iks'pɔstjuleit).
ex'pound, v.t. Give in detail; make clear.
expo'sition, n. Sp., account expounding.
ex'positor (iks'pɔsɪtə), n. One expounding.
ex'pository, a. (iks'pɔnd).
ex'press, 1. v.t. Put into words or make clear by other signs; send (goods, letters) at special quick rate; get (liquid etc.) out by crushing. 2. a. Clearly said; done, made, or sent specially. *E. train*, quick one, not stopping at all stations. 3. adv. By special, quick post. 4. n. *E. train*. **'-ion**, n. Putting into words; form of words; look on face. **'-ive**, a. (Clearly) expressing feelings etc. (iks'pres).
ex'propriate, v.t. Take away property from; take away (property). (iks'prəupriət).
ex'pulsion, n. See EXPEL.
ex'punge, v.t. Keep or take out (word(s) from). (iks'pandʒ).
'expurgate, v.t. Take out (what is in bad taste etc.); e. something from (book). ('ekspəgeit).
'exquisite, 1. a. Very beautiful; (of pain, pleasure etc.) very great; (of power of feeling etc.) very delicate. 2. n. One with over-great love of dress. ('ekskwɪzɪt).
'ex'tant, a. Still in existence. (eks'tant).
ex'tempore, 1. adv. (Of giving public talk, etc.) without getting ready, giving thought, before. 2. a. Given, done, e. **extempo'aneous**, a. Extempore.
ex'temporize, v.t. & i. Give (talk), do, extempore. (eks'tempəri).
ex'tend, v.t. & i. Get stretched out; make greater, wider, longer; (of space, land) be stretching (*to, across* etc.); give (kind attention etc.); make (horse etc.) make use of full powers. **ex'tension**, n. Sp., addition made. **ex'tensive**, a. Of wide range, stretching far. **ex'tent**, n. Size, range, degree; stretch (of land, etc.). (iks'tend).
ex'tenuate, v.t. Make (wrongdoing) seem less. **extenu'ation**, n. Sp., extenuating fact. (iks'tenjuet).
ex'terior, a., n. Outside. (eks'tiəriə).
ex'terminate, v.t. Make destruction of (all), get rooted out. (iks'tə:mineit).

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ex'ternal, a. Outside. -s, n. pl. External points, qualities, sp. as unimportant. **'-ize**, v.t. Give external existence to. (eks'tə:nəl).
ex'tinct, a. No longer burning; no longer in existence. **'-ion**, n. Making, becoming, extinct. (iks'tɪŋkt).
ex'tinguish, v.t. Put out (fire, light etc.), put out of existence. **'-er**, n. Sp., cover for putting out flame of wax light.
ex'tinction, n. (iks'tɪŋgwɪʃ).
'extirpate, v.t. EXTERMINATE. ('ekstəpeɪt).
ex'tol, v.t. Give voice to great approval of. (iks'təul).
ex'tort, v.t. Get from person by physical or other force. **'-ion**, n. Sp., extorting money against the law. **'-ionate**, a. Given to extortion; (of price etc.) over-high. (iks'tɔ:t).
'extra, 1. a., adv. In addition; greater, better, more than normal(ly). 2. n. E. thing; thing given only for e. payment. ('ekstrə).
'extra-, Outside range of, not (*-parochial*).
'extra'mural, a. Outside, not regular part of (university etc.). ('ekstrə'mjuərəl).
ex'tract, 1. v.t. Take out, sp., by force; get (money, statement, etc.) from person against his desire; get (liquid etc.) from substance by boiling, crushing etc.; get copied out from book etc. 2. ('ekstrakt), n. Liquid extracted; bit extracted from book. **'-ion**, n. Sp., family line. (iks'trakt).
'extradite, [Law] v.t. Give up to authorities of another country (person desired in connection with crime done there). ('ekstrədait).
ex'traneous, a. Not truly a part of, to do with, from, outside. (eks'treɪniəs).
ex'traordinary, a. Not normal, special; strange, surprising. (iks'trɔ:dnəri).
ex'travagant, a. (Of ideas etc.) not controlled by reason, foolish, strange; (given to) wasting money etc. **extrava'ganza**, n. Play, music, designed to give extravagant effects. (iks'travəgənt).
ex'treme, 1. a. At the end(s), farthest; (of qualities etc.) great in degree; (of opinions, acts etc.) going very far in some direction. 2. n. E. part, point, degree; one or other of 2 things, qualities, at opposite ends of scale. **ex'tremist**, n. Supporter of e. steps. **ex'tremity** (iks'tremɪti), n. Extreme point, limit; very great trouble. *Ee.*, sp., hands and feet; extreme steps. (iks'trim).
'extricate, v.t. Get free from something keeping fixed, trouble. ('ekstrikeit).
ex'trinsic, a. Opp. INTRINSIC. (eks'trɪnsɪk).

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'extrovert, n. One whose thoughts are chiefly turned to things, interests, outside himself. ('ekstrəvɔ:t).
ex'trude, v.t. & i. Get, be, pushed or put out. **ex'trusion**, n. (iks'tru:d).
ex'uberant, a. Full of good humour; very fertile in growth; (of language etc.) over-ornamented. (ig'zʊərənt).
ex'ude, v.t. & i. Make (drops of liquid) come slowly out. (ig'zju:d).
ex'ult, v.i. Be full of pleasure (*at* over-coming) or (*over* person one has over-come). (ig'zʌlt).
eye, 1. n. Part of body for seeing; e-like mark or part, sp., growth-point in potato; hole of needle; curve of wire etc. through which hook goes to keep parts of dress etc. together. *All my e.*, [Hum.] foolish or untrue; *apple of one's e.*, thing, person, specially dear to one; *do in the e.*, [Hum.] get the better of by trick etc.; *have an e. for*, be a good judge of; *have an e. on*, sp., have a desire for (another's property); *his ee. are on*, he is looking at; *keep an e. on*, keep under observation; *make ee. at*, give loving looks at; *open his ee. to*, make him conscious of; *see e. to e. (with)*, be of the same opinion (as). 2. v.t. Be looking at, watching. **'-ball**, n. Ball-like part of eye. **'-brow**, n. Arch of hair over eye. **'e-glass**, n. Glass for helping feeble eye to see. **'-lash**, n. One of small hairs edging eyelid. **'-let**, n. Small hole, sp., with stitched or metal edge. **'-lid**, n. Cover of eye. **'e-opener**, n. Surprising fact etc. **'-sight**, n. Power of seeing. **'-sore**, n. Unpleasant-looking thing. **'e-tooth**, n. CANINE. **'e-wash**, [Com.] n. Talk etc. designed to give false, sp. pleasing, picture. **'e-witness**, n. One able to give account of something at first hand. (ai).
'eyrie, n. AERIE. ('aɪəri).

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F, [Mus.] 4th note in C MAJOR scale. (ef).
'fable, n. Story not based on fact; short story designed to give teaching about right or wrong. **'-d**, a. About which there are stories. **'fabulous** ('fabjʊləs), a. Fabled; surprising, past belief. ('feɪbl).
'fabric, n. Material, sp., cloth; structure, building. **'-ate**, v.t. Make up (false story etc.). ('fabrɪk).
fa'cade, n. Face of building. (fə'sa:d).
face, 1. n. Front of head from hair-line to chin; front; any side of a solid form; part of clock, watch, on which numbers are marked. *F. value*, value marked on money etc., seeming value; *have the f.*

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to, have so little shame as *to*; *in (the) f. of*, against; *make, pull, a f.*, be twisting one's f.; *on the f. of it*, judging by what it seems; *put a good f. on it*, make things seem less bad than they are; *save one's f.*, keep oneself from seeming foolish, wrong. 2. v.t. & i. Have or get f. turned to, (or in certain direction); be opposite; not be in fear of, be ready to undergo; put facing on. *F. the music*, take one's punishment. **'facial**, a. Of the face. **'facing**, n. Sp., band etc. of material put over other material. *Ff.*, coloured collar etc. of military coat. (feɪs).
'facet, n. One side of body with great number of sides, sp. cut jewel. ('fasɪt).
fa'cetious, a. Given to, marked by, attempted humour. (fə'si:ʃəs).
'facile, a. Done without trouble; expert, ready, with words; readily giving way to, changed by, others; (of writings etc.) done without enough trouble, not deep. **fa'cilitate**, v.t. Be a help in. **fa'cility**, n. Sp., something facilitating (freq. *ff.*). ('fasail).
fac'simile, n. Copy of writing, etc., the same in every detail. (fak'simili).
fact, n. Event (*before, after, the f.*); thing which is certainly true or taken to be so. *As a matter of f.*, to say truly; *in (point of) f.*, the (true) f. is that. (fakt).
'faction, n. Self-interested, trouble-making group, sp. political; warring of interests. ('fakʃən).
'factor, n. Person doing business for another. ('faktə).
'factor, n. [Sc.] Number which goes into another number with nothing over; one of causes producing some effect.
'factory, n. Building(s) in which goods are made, sp. by machines. ('faktəri).
fac'totum, n. Servant doing all sorts of work. (fak'təʊtəm).
'faculty, n. Power of mind or body, sense; tendency, power, (of doing); branch of learning; experts in this; the teachers of a university. ('fakəlti).
fad, n. Idea, interest, sp. foolish, taken up warmly for a time. **'-dy**, a. Given to fads, sp. about food etc. (fad).
fade, v.i. & t. (Make) become less strong in colour; go slowly from view in this way; (of flowers) become dead. **'-less**, a. Which does not fade. (feɪd).
fag, 1. v.i. & t. Do hard work which makes one tired; (of work) make tired; be acting as servant of older boy at school. 2. n. Fagging work; boy fagging at school; [Hum.] cigarette. *F. end*, last, gen. worst, bit. (fag).
'faggot, n. Parcel of sticks for fire. ('fagət).
'Fahrenheit, a. Of scale for measuring degrees of heat, on which boiling-point

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of water = 212° and point at which it becomes ice = 32°. ('farenhait).

fail, v.i. & t. Not do what one was attempting, hoping; come to nothing; come to an end while still needed; become feeble; become BANKRUPT; let (person) down. *F. to do*, not do; *without f.*, certainly. **-ing**, n. Sp., bad point (in person). **-ure**, n. Act of failing; person who, thing which, has failed. (feil).

fair, [Old] a., adv. Ready, pleased, to. *Would f.*, would be happy to. (fein).

faint, i. a. Feeling as if about to f.; feeble, not strong or clear. 2. v.i. Become suddenly unconscious through blood going from brain. 3. n. Such unconscious condition. **f.-hearted**, a. Readily giving way to fear. (feint).

fair, n. Great market taking place at special times, freq. with amusements. (feə).

fair, i. a. Beautiful; (of hair, skin, etc.) light; judging truly, without taking sides; giving everyone his rights; keeping the rules; (of quality, amount) quite good; (of weather) good. *A f. copy*, a clean one; *the f. sex*, women. 2. adv. In a f. way. **f.-spoken**, a. With kind, pleasing way of talking. **-way**, n. Regular way for ship into harbour etc.; smooth part of GOLF COURSE between holes.

fairy, i. n. (In old stories, etc.) small being with more than natural powers. 2. a. Of ff.; delicate, beautiful. **f.-tale**, n. Sp., untrue story. ('feəri).

faith, n. Unquestioning or very strong belief in, sp. religion; system of religion; (one's) word, undertaking. *Good (bad) f.*, being (not being) straightforward, true to one's word. **-ful**, a. True to person, cause; true to fact. **f.-healing**, n. Making well by working on person's faith, sp. in religion. **-less**, a. Sp., false to. (feif).

fake, i. v.t. Make (thing) seem what it is not; make tricking copy of. 2. n. Faked thing, copy. (feik).

fakir, n. Mohammedan or Hindu man of religion living by requesting money in the streets. ('fakia).

falchion, n. Wide, curved sword. ('foltʃən).

falcon, n. Small bird living on others, trained for sport. **-er**, n. Keeper and trainer of falcons. **-ry**, n. Sport with falcons. ('fɔ:lkn).

fall (fell, fallen), i. v.i. Come down by force of weight, be overbalanced; undergo loss of high position; become lower, less; (of light) come (on); come to death on field of war; (of town) be overcome in war; give way to wrongdoing. *F. back*, sp., [Mil.] be turned back; *f. back upon*, sp., make use of at need; *f. for*, [Com.] be overcome by attraction of; *f. in*, sp., [Mil.] get into line; *f. in with*, sp., be in agreement with; *f. in love*, become in love;

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f. off, sp., become less, worse; *f. on*, sp., make an attack on; *f. on a certain day*, be, take place, on; *f. out*, sp., have angry words (with); [Mil.] opp. f. in; come about; *f. short (of)*, be not enough (less than); *f. through*, sp., come to nothing; *f. to*, make a start at (doing, etc.); *person's face falls*, gives sign of sudden loss of hope. 2. n. A falling; water falling down mountain etc. (freq. ff.); amount of rain, snow, which falls; time of year between summer and winter. (fɔ:l (fel)).

'fallacy, n. False argument; wrong belief, error. **'fallacious** (fə'leɪʃəs), a. ('faləsi).

'fallible, a. Able to be wrong. ('falibl).

'fallow, n., a. (Land) ploughed but not planted for a time. ('falou).

'fallow-deer, n. A light-brown DEER. ('faloudia).

false, i. a. Opp. true; made to seem like and take the place of something natural. *F. pride*, based on foolish ideas. 2. adv. *Play a person f.*, be f. to him. **-hood**, n. Untrue statement. **'falsify**, v.t. Make (accounts etc.) false, give false account of. *F. hopes*, be opposite to what was hoped. (fɔ:ls).

'falsetto, n. Forced voice higher than one's natural range. (fɔ:l'setou).

'falter, v.i. & t. Go with uncertain steps; say in an uncertain way. ('fɔ:lta).

fame, n. Great name; condition of being much talked about. (feim).

'familiär, i. a. Common; which one has come across or is used to; in relation of very near friend(s); free in behaviour (to), without enough respect. *F. with*, sp., having good knowledge of. 2. n. F. friend. **-ize**, v.t. Get (oneself, another) used to. (fə'milja).

'family, n. Mother, father, and offspring; person's offspring; all persons who are blood relations of one another; all blood relations with same last name; persons living together as f.; group of GENERA having common quality. *F. tree*, DIAGRAM going back to common starting-point making clear relations between persons of same f. ('famili).

'famine, n. Condition of there being almost no food in a place. *Die of f.*, of not having enough food. ('famin).

'famish, v.i. & t. Be, make, in great need of food. **-ed**, a. ('famif).

'famous, a. Great, noted. ('feiməs).

fan, i. n. Instrument for waving in hand to make air-current; any apparatus for producing air-current. 2. v.t. Send



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air-current to with f.; be working up (feelings). **-light**, n. Window, freq. in form of half-circle, over door. **'f.-tail**, n. Sort of PIGEON. **f.-vaulting**, n. VAULTING with arches raying out. (fan).

fan, n. One warmly supporting some actor etc., greatly interested in something.

fa'natic, n., a. (One) having violent and narrow belief, sp. in religion. (fa'natik).

'fancy, i. n. Power of forming mind-pictures; such picture; unreasoning idea, feeling; taste, desire, (for). 2. a. (Of dress, small things) much ornamented. *F. dress*, sp., strange or old sort put on for dances; *f. price*, very high price. 3. v.t. Have mind-picture of; have f. for or *that*. *F. f.*, sign of surprise; *f. oneself*, have over-good opinion of. **'fancier**, n. Good judge (of), expert in producing, (animals, plants). **'fanciful**, a. Given to fancies; marked by fancy in design; without existence in fact. **'f.-work**, n. Ornamented needlework. ('fansi).

'fanfare, n. Outburst of music on brass instruments. ('fanfeə).

'fang, n. Long sharp tooth of animal; poison tooth of snake. (fan).

'fantasy, n. Power of forming mind-pictures, sp. of beautiful or strange things not possible in our existence; such picture or idea. **fan'tastic**, a. Strangely designed etc.; against common sense. ('fantazi).

far (farther, farthest, or further, furthest), i. adv. At or to a great distance; much. *As, (in) so, f. as*, to the degree to which; *f. and away*, very much; *how f.*, at what distance, to what point, degree; *so f.*, to this point. 2. a. At a great distance. *Be a f. cry from*, have little connection with; *be f. gone*, be in a serious condition, very ill, deep in debt, etc. **'f.-away**, **'f.-off**, aa. Sp., (of look) as if fixed on nothing. **f.-fetched**, a. (Of comparison etc.) forced, not natural. **f.-reaching**, a. Having wide effects. **f.-seeing**, **f.-sighted**, aa. Wise, taking long view. (fa: ('fa:ðə or 'fə:ðə)).

farce, n. Stage play designed to get laughs; events coming to nothing, behaviour which all see through. (fars).

'fare, i. n. Price of journey by train etc.; person taken in taxi etc.; food. 2. v.i. Get on (well, badly). **-well**, int., n. (Word said at) parting. (feə).

'fari'naceous, a. Of foods with STARCH in them, such as grain. (fari'neiʃəs).

'farm, i. n. Stretch of land worked for produce or used for support of animals; f.-house. 2. v.i. & t. Keep a f.; get (land) worked; take care of (sp. babies) for payment. *F. out work*, send out to others to do; *f. (out) taxes*, give someone right to get and keep taxes on payment of fixed amount. **'f.-house**, n. Farmer's house. **-stead**, n. Farm-house with

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buildings round. **-yard**, n. Space shut in by farm buildings. (fa:m).

'far'rago, n. Mixed-up mass. (fa'reigou).

'farrier, n. Shoer of horses; one giving medical care to horses. ('faria).

'farrow, i. v.i. & t. (Of pigs) give birth to young. 2. n. Farrowing; pigs produced at one f. ('farou).

farther, farthest. See FAR.

'farthing, n. Bit of Eng. copper money, ¼ penny. ('fa:ðɪŋ).

'farthingale, n. Wide skirt supported by frame; such frame. ('fa:ðɪŋeɪl).

'fascinate, v.t. Overcome by power of eye, as snake; have strong attraction, interest, for. **'fascination**, n. Sp., fascinating quality. ('fasineit).

'Fascism, n. System of government and society based on belief that nation is natural unit, started in Italy in 1919 as reaction against COMMUNISM; any system copying this. ('fazɪzm).

'fashion, i. v.t. Make, give form to. 2. n. Form, sort; way of doing etc.; current idea, way, sp., of dressing. *After, in, a f.*, somewhat, not very well. **-able**, a. In the latest fashion; of high society. **'f.-plate**, n. Picture of dress fashion. ('faʃən).

fast, a., adv. Strongly, tightly, fixed. *F. asleep*, in deep sleep; *f. friends*, true ones; *play f. and loose with*, keep changing one's behaviour to. **-en** ('fa:sn), v.t. & i. Make, become, fast or joined together. *F. (up)on*, take a grip of. **-ener**, **-ening**, nn. Part fastening. **-ness**, n. Strong place in mountains etc. not readily taken by force. (fa:st).

fast, i. v.i. Do without food, sp. for reasons of religion. 2. n. A fasting.

fast, a., adv. Quickly moving; given to overmuch pleasure, sp. bad. *Watch is f.*, gives time as later than it is.

fas'tidious, a. Delicate in one's tastes, not readily pleased. (fas'tidias).

fat, i. a. (Of persons, animals) with bones more than normally well-covered; thick, great; (of meat) with much f. 2. n. Substance in animal bodies with much oil in it. *Live on the f. of the land*, in great comfort. **-head**, [Hum.] n. Foolish person. **-ted**, a. Made fat for table. (fat).

'fatal, a. Causing destruction, death. **-ism**, n. Belief that events are outside one's control, fixed by FATE. **fa'tality** (fa'taliti), n. Condition of being fixed by FATE, death in smash, war etc. ('feiti).



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fate, n. The power looked on as controlling events; what is fixed by f. for person, thing; death, end. '-d, a. Fixed by fate. (feit).

'father, 1. n. Male with offspring, sp. in relation to it; one giving start to thing; **PRIEST**, head of house of religion, etc. *Ff.*, sp., chief, older men of town etc.; *our ff.*, men of our past; *our, the F.*, God. 2. v.t. Become f. of (offspring). *F. (offspring, idea, etc.) upon*, make seem to be the f. of. **'f-in-law**, n. Father of person one is married to. **'-land**, n. One's country. ('fa:ðə).

'fathom, 1. n. Measure of 6 feet, used in measuring how deep water is. 2. v.t. Get measure of how deep (water) is; get at true sense of. **'-less**, a. So deep that it may not be measured. ('fæðəm).

fatigue, 1. n. Condition of being very tired; (Mil.) work of cleaning, cooking etc. 2. v.t. Make tired. (fə'ti:g).

'fatuous, a. Very foolish. **fa'tuity**, n. ('fatjuəs).

'faucet, n. TAP for liquids. ('fə:sit).

fault, n. Bad point, sp. in person; thing wrongly done; being in the wrong; [Sc.] place where STRATUM is broken by band of different stone etc. *At f.*, in the wrong; *find f. with*, be pointing out f(f) of. (fə:lt).

faun, [Rom. Fict.] n. Man-like being of the woods with horns and legs of goat. (fə:n).

'fauna, n. The animals natural to a special place or time. ('fə:nə).

'faux pas, [F.] n. Slip in behaviour, talk; error. ('fau'pa:).

'favour, 1. n. Approval, kind feeling; kind act done at request; ornament etc. given as mark of f. *In f. of*, favourable to; in the interests of; *your f.*, (in business letter) your letter. 2. v.t. Give approval, support, to; be kinder to than to others; be like (person) in looks. *F. with (something)*, give (something) to, as kind act. **'-able**, a. Giving approval; good for, helping. **'-ite** ('feivrit), 1. a. Specially loved, favoured. 2. n. F. person, sp. one with power over ruler. **'-itism**, n. Unequal favouring of persons. **ill-favoured**, **well-favoured**, aa. Unpleasing, pleasing, in looks. ('feivə).

fawn, 1. n. Young DEER; light yellow-brown colour. 2. a. F.-coloured. (fə:n).

fawn, v.i. (Of dogs) give signs of love by jumping up, moving tail, etc.; make attempt to get person's approval by making over-much of him (*f. on*).

fay, n. FAIRY. (fei).

'fealty, n. Being true to ruler, chief. ('fi:lti).

fear, 1. n. Feeling caused by, impulse to get away from, coming pain, destruction, trouble; danger (of something);

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overpowering respect (for God etc.). *In f. of one's life*, in f. of death. 2. v.i. & t. Have f. or f. of. **'-ful**, a. Sp., to be feared, very bad. **'-some**, a. To be feared. (fia).

'feasible, a. Able to be done. ('fi:zibl).

feast, 1. n. Day kept in memory of some happy event, sp. in connection with religion; very good, sp., great public meal. 2. v.i. & t. Take part in such meal; give a f. to. *F. upon*, have a very good meal of. (fi:st).

feat, n. Great act, sp. in danger; doing of a hard thing surprisingly well. (fi:t).

'feather, 1. n. Any of the separate structures with hard middle stem covering bird. *Birds of a f.*, persons of the same sort; *in high f.*, in great good humour; *show the white f.*, give way to fear. 2. a. Made of f(f). 3. v.t. & i. Put ff. on; make (OAR) go flat over face of water. *F. one's nest*, make money for oneself. **'f-brain**, n. Foolish person. **'-ing**, n. Sp., feathers on bird; feather-like marking. **'f-weight**, n. BOXER of lowest weight. ('feðə).

'feature, 1. n. Any of named parts of face; special, noted, point. 2. v.i. & t. Be present, a marked f.; make special f. of, give advertisement to as f. of. **'-less**, a. Not having clearly-marked features, uninteresting. ('fi:tə).

'febrile, a. (As) of FEVER ('fi:brail).

'February, n. 2nd month of year. ('februəri).

'feckless, a. (Of person) without purpose, of no use. ('fekləs).

'fecund, a. Fertile, producing offspring. **'-ate**, v.t. FERTILIZE. **fe'cundity**, n. ('fekənd).

fed. See FEED.

'federal, a. (Of political system) in which two or more STATES are united but keep self-government on questions of interest to themselves only. **'federate**, 1. ('fedəreit) v.t. & i. Get or become banded together as federal group. 2. ('fedərit), a. Federated. **fede'ration**, n. Sp., a federated group. ('fedərəl).

fee, n. Amount requested by medical man, man of law, public authority etc., for his work. (fi:).

'feeble, a. With little force, not strong. **f.-minded**, a. With less than normal brain-power. ('fi:bl).

feed (fed), 1. v.t. & i. Give food to; put food into mouth of; take food; be (enough) food for. *Fed up (with)*, [Com.] sp., tired, having had enough (of). 2. n. Food for animals; a meal. **'-er**, n. Sp., cloth put under baby's chin when feeding. **'f-pipe**, n. Pipe taking water, material, to machine. (fi:d (fed)).

feel (felt), 1. v.t. & i. Be conscious of by touch; put one's hand on, over, to get knowledge of; be consciously (*f. cold*

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etc.); have idea that; be moved or wounded by; be to the touch, senses. *F. like doing*, have desire to do; *f. one's way*, sp., do something slowly, making certain of position before acting. 2. n. Touch; quality felt. **'-er**, n. Sp., thread-like part on front of insect's head for feeling things; suggestion put out as test of others' reactions. **'-ing**, 1. n. Sp., sense of touch; sense-experience; what is felt in mind, as love, hate, etc.; kind f. (*for*); idea not based on reason, sense (of or that). *Hurt one's ff.*, make one unhappy. 2. a. Readily moved by ff. of others, kind; marked by strong f. (fi:l (felt)).

feet. See FOOT.

feign, v.t. Put on false air of. (fein).

feint, v.i., n. (Make) false attack, blow, for purpose of tricking. (feint).

'feldspar, n. A white or light-red MINERAL. ('felspa:).

fe'licitate, v.t. CONGRATULATE. (fi'lisiteit).

fe'licitous, a. (Of words etc.) very much to the point, good. (fi'lisitəs).

'feline, a. Of cats, cat-like. ('fi:lain).

fell, [Let.] a. Cruel, causing fear. (fel).

fell, n. Animal's skin with the hair.

fell, n. Stretch of high waste land in N. England.

fell, v.t. Send to the earth by blow; get (tree) cut down; get edge of (join) stitched down.

fell. See FALL.

'fella ('een), n. Landworker in Egypt. ('fela ('felahim)).

'fellow, n. Outer circle of wheel. ('felou).

'fellow, 1. n. An equal; the other of 2 like things going together; person having position at university for special work in his field; one of a society to do with some branch of learning; man, person. *One's ff.*, sp., one's group; other men. 2. a. Of same group, working with. **f.-feeling**, n. Feeling in common. **'-ship**, n. A taking part in something together, being friends; group, society; position of university fellow. ('felou).

'felon, n. Small ABSCESS by nail. ('felən).

'felon, n. Doer of serious crime. **'-y**, [Law] n. Any of group of serious crimes.

felt, n. Thick material made of wool or hair rolled flat, used for hats etc. (felt).

felt. See FEEL.

female, 1. a. Of the sex giving birth to offspring; (of plants, flowers) fruit-producing; of women. 2. n. A f. person or animal. ('fi:meil).

'feminine, a. Of, like, women; [Lang.] of female GENDER. **'feminism**, n. Belief in giving women same rights as men. ('feminin).

'femur, n. Bone of higher part of leg.

'femoral, a. ('fi:mə).

fen, n. Stretch of low wet land. (fen).

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fence, 1. v.i. Do trained fighting with long pointed blade; get out of giving straight-forward answer. 2. n. Art of fencing. (fens).

fence, v.t., n. (Put) railing, wall, round. **'fencing**, n. Sp., material for f.

fence, n., v.i. One who gives money for goods taken by crime.

fend, v.t. & i. *F. off*, keep (attack etc.) off, back. *F. for*, get living for, take care of.

'er, n. Frame round fireplace to keep coals from falling on floor; (on automobiles, machine) part for keeping things off, keeping from damage. (fend).

'Fenian, n., a. (One) of Irish-Am. society for freeing Ireland from Brit. rule. ('finiən).

'fennel, n. Yellow-flowered plant with special taste, used in cooking. ('fenəl).

'ferment, n. Process like that produced by YEAST; substance producing f.; worked-up condition.

ferment, v.t. & i. (Make) undergo f. ('fə:ment).

fern, n. Sorts of plant with no flowers, forming SPORES on back of feather-like leaves. **'-ery**, n. Fern garden. (fə:n).

fe'rocious, a. Violent, cruel.

fe'rocious, a. Violent, cruel. **fe'rocious**, n. ('fə'roufəs).

'ferret, 1. n. Small animal with pointed nose, used for going after rats etc. 2. v.t. & i. Go after (animals) with f(f). *F. out*, make discovery of (secret etc.) by looking into. ('ferit).

'ferric, **'ferrous**, [Sc.] aa. To do with iron, having iron in it. ('ferik, 'ferəs).

'ferrule, n. Metal ring or cover on end of stick etc. ('feru:l).

'ferry, 1. v.t. & i. Take, go, (across river) in boat. 2. n. Place where ferrying is regularly done; f. boat. ('feri).

'fertile, a. (Of plants, animals, land) producing much; with power of producing offspring, fruit; full of ideas, suggestions.

'fertilize, v.t. Sp., get development of offspring, fruit, started in (female, flower) by sex connection etc. **'fertilizer**, n. Sp., substance for fertilizing earth. ('fə:tail).

'ferule, n. Flat stick used for punishment of schoolboys. ('feru:l).

'fervent, **'fervid**, aa. Burning; (of feelings) strong. **'fervour**, n. Quality of being fervent. ('fə:vənt, 'fə:vid).

'festal, a. Of, as of, a FEAST. ('festəl).

'fester, 1. v.i. (Of wound) become poisoned; be working like poison in mind. 2. n. Festering place. ('festə).

'festival, n. (Time marked out for



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public pleasure-making. **festive**, a. (As) of a festival. **festivity**, n. Sp., festival. *Ff.*, festive events. ('festivəl).
festoon, 1. n. Chain of flowers etc. hanging between 2 points. 2. v.t. Put ff. on; make into ff. (fes'tu:n).
fetch, v.t. & i. Go for and come back with; make (blood etc.) come; get, as its price. *F. a blow*, give. '-ing, [Com.] a. Having attraction, pleasing. (fetf).
fête, 1. n. FESTIVAL. 2. v.t. Make much of (person) by having f. etc. (feit).
fetid, a. Bad-smelling. ('fetid).
'fetish, **'fetich**, n. Thing looked up to as having power from Higher Being; anything respected in foolish degree. ('fi:ti).
'fetlock, n. Part of horse's leg near foot with longer hair on it. ('fetlok).
'fetter, 1. n. Chain for foot of prisoner, animal; thing acting as f., keeping back. 2. v.t. Put f(f). on; be f. to. ('feta).
'fettle, n. *In fine f.*, in healthy, happy, condition. ('feti).
feud, n. Bad relations between two families, persons, over long time, sp. with outbursts of fighting. (fju:d).
'feudal, a. Of, like, MEDIEVAL system of society based on payments for use of land by work and military support. (fju:dl).
'fever, n. Over-great heat of body as sign of disease; any of group of diseases causing high f.; worked-up condition. '-ish, a. Of, having, fever. ('fi:və).
few, n., a. Not a great number (of). *A f.*, some, a small number (of). (fju:).
fez, n. Man's red head-dress at one time used in Turkey. (fez).
fi'ant(e), [F.] n. Man (woman) to whom one is going to be married. (fi:'onsei).
fi'asco, n. Play etc. doing badly, attempt coming to nothing. (fi:'askou).
'fiat, n. Order of ruler etc. ('fiat).
fib, v.i., n. (Make) false statement about some small thing. (fib).
'fibre, n. One of thread-like parts forming substance of animal or plant structure, cloth etc.; substance formed of ff. *Of coarse (delicate) f.*, sp., of rough (delicate) mind etc. **'fibroid**, n. Fibrous growth in body. **'fibrous**, a. Formed of fibres. ('faiba).
'fibula, n. The outer of the 2 bones between knee and foot. ('fibjula).
'fichu, n. Bit of thin material folded round woman's neck and over chest. ('fi:fu:).
'fickle, a. Frequently changing feelings, sp. in love. ('fikl).
'fiction, n. An invention of the mind; stories as branch of letters. **fic'titious** (fik'tiʃəs), a. Which is a fiction. ('fikʃən).
'fiddle, 1. n. VIOLIN; apparatus for keeping things on ship's table in rough weather. *Fiddle as a f.*, healthy, well; *play second f. (to)*, take less important

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place (than). 2. v.i. & t. Be playing music on f.; be playing with something in one's fingers, without purpose. '-stick, n. Fiddle bow. *Ff!*, how foolish! **'fiddling**, a. Sp., unimportant. ('fidi).
fi'delity, n. Being true (to). (fi'deliti).
'fidget, 1. v.i. & t. Be moving body about unnecessarily; get on nerves of. 2. n. One who fidgets. ('fidʒit).
fi'duciary, [Law] 1. a. Keeping, kept, in TRUST; (of paper money) dependent for its value on public belief. 2. n. Person keeping property etc. in TRUST for another. (fi'dju:ʃəri).
fie, int. Have shame! (fai).
fief, n. A FEUDAL property. (fi:f).
field, 1. n. Marked-off stretch of land on farm etc.; open country (gen. used as a. before nn.); stretch of land from which substance is mined etc.; place of, sp. military, operations; range (of operation); branch (of knowledge); BACKGROUND on which design, sp. of flag etc., is put. *F. marshal*, person with highest army position; *hold the f. (against)*, not be overcome (by); *take the f.*, go to (field of) war. 2. v.i. & t. (Be on watch to) get ball stopped and send it back (in CRICKET etc.). **'f.-day**, n. Day of army training in field operations; [Am.] sports day. '-er, n. One fielding in sports. **'f.-glass(es)**, n. Long-distance glasses for use out of doors. **'f.-gun**, n. Gun on wheels. (fi:ld).
fiend, n. DEVIL; very cruel person. (fi:nd).
fi'erce, a. Violent, angry; (of heat, etc.) very great. (fiəs).
'fiery, a. Of or like fire, 'flaming; violent, quickly made angry. ('fiəri).
fi'fe, n. Small wind-instrument of wood with high notes. (faif).
'fi'fteen, 15. ('fi:f'ti:n).
fi'fth, n., a. (That) which is numbered 5 in order; 5. (fi:fθ).
'fi'fty, 50. ('fi:ti).
fig, n. (Tree producing) soft fruit with great number of small seeds. (fig).
fight (fought), v.t. & i., n. Make use of physical force against, sp., in war; make attempt to get the better of. *F. it out*, come to a decision about by fighting or argument; *f. shy of*, keep out of the way of. (fait (fo:t)).
'figment, n. A fiction. ('figmənt).
'figurative, a. (Of words) used of something other than that pointed to by the straightforward sense, to give a picture or make clear a parallel. ('figjəritiv).
'figure, 1. n. Form of person's body, sp., as opp. head; f. pictured in stone, paint etc.; noted, important, person; DIAGRAM in book; division of dance; number sign in print or writing, sp. from 0 to 9; price. *Cut a poor f.*, make


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a poor effect; *f. of speech*, FIGURATIVE use of word(s). 2. v.t. & i. Get marked with small designs; take a part, be seen, (in, as). *F. out*, get worked out sp. in numbers. '-head, n. Ornament at front of ship; person who is head in name only. **'figurine** (figju:'ri:n), n. Small figure in stone etc. ('figə).
'filament, n. Thread-like body, sp., wire in electric bulb. ('filəmənt).
'filbert, n. Sort of small nut. ('filbət).
filch, v.t. STEAL (things of little value). (filtʃ).
file, 1. n. Stiff pointed wire for keeping papers on; box etc. for keeping papers in order; filed papers. 2. v.t. & i. Put on, in, f. (fail).
file, 1. n. Metal instrument with rough face for rubbing down, cutting through, hard substances. 2. v.t. Make use of f. on. **'filing(s)**, n. Small bit(s) filed off.
file, 1. n. Line of persons, one at back of another (freq. *single f.*). 2. v.i. Go in f.
'filial, a. Of, like, a son or daughter. ('filial).
'filibuster, n. Man making war on another country without authority from his government. ('filibastə).
'filigree, n., a. Delicate openwork, sp. of gold or silver wire. ('filigri:).
fill, 1. v.t. & i. Make, become, full; put stopping in (tooth); be enough for (needs, etc.); put person in, be in, (position). *F. in*, sp., put in what is needed to make (form, picture, etc.) complete; *f. out*, sp., become fatter; *f. the bill*, be, do, what is needed, desired. 2. n. *One's f.*, as much food as one is able to take. '-ing, n. Sp., material filling. (fil).
'fillet, 1. n. Narrow band as head ornament; bit of fish or meat cut for table without bones. 2. v.t. Put f. round; make (fish) into ff. ('filit).
'filip, n., v.i. & t. (Blow given by) letting go of finger from bent position against thumb; impulse, stimulus. ('filip).
'filly, n. Young female horse. ('fili).
film, 1. n. A thin skin, plate, etc. of any material; (roll of) GELATINE for taking camera-pictures on; motion picture. 2. v.t. & i. Make, become, covered with f.; take motion picture of. (film).
'filter, 1. n. Apparatus for freeing liquids from solid substances by sending through sand, paper, etc. 2. v.t. & i. Send, go, through f.; get slowly (through, into etc.). **'filtrate**, n. Filtered liquid. **fil'tration**, n. ('filitə).
filth, n. Disgustingly dirty substance. '-y, a. *F. lucre*, [Hum.] money. (filθ).
fin, n. Wing-like part of fish and other sea-animals, used in swimming. (fin).
'final, 1. a. Coming last; in which no further change is, may be, made. 2. n. F. test or part of competition (freq. *ff.*).

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fi'nale (fi'nai:li), n. Last division of work of music or play. ('fainəl).
fi'nance, 1. n. The controlling of (sp. public) money, science of this. *Ff.*, government's, company's, person's, money. 2. v.t. Give or get money for (undertaking, etc.). **fi'nancial**, a. **fi'nancier**, n. Sp., expert in finance. (fi'nans).
finch, n. Sorts of small song-bird. (fintʃ).
find (found), 1. v.t. Make discovery of, sp. by looking for; see, have experience, *that*; get, give, (money etc.) for purpose; [Law] give decision about person, crime (*f. guilty* etc.). *F. favour (with)*, get approval (of); *f. one's feet*, make a start to do well; *f. out*, make discovery of (fact, secret); *f. person out*, f. out his bad qualities, wrongdoing. 2. n. Thing found, sp. of value. '-ing, n. Sp., decision in law etc. (faɪnd (faund)).
fine, 1. n. Payment fixed as punishment. 2. v.t. Give punishment to by f. (fain).
fine, n. Only *in f.*, to put it shortly.
fine, 1. a. Of high quality; good, great; good-looking, beautiful; very thin, sharp; delicate in structure; in very small grains; (of weather) bright, without rain. 2. v.t. & i. Make or become thinner, sharper. '-ry ('fainəri), n. Beautiful clothing, ornaments. **f.-drawn**, a. Pulled out very thin.
fi'nesse, n. Delicate, expert, way of guiding relations with others, sp., to get the better of them. (fi'nes).
'finger, 1. n. Any of 5 end-parts of hand or sp., any but thumb; thing like a f. *Have at one's f.-tips*, have a good, ready, knowledge of; *turn, twist, person round one's little f.*, have him completely under control. 2. v.t. Be feeling with ff.; put marks on (music) making clear which ff. are to be used. **'f.-bowl**, n. One for washing fingers in at table. **'f.-plate**, n. Plate of brass etc. on door to keep finger-marks off. **'-post**, n. Signboard pointing way. **'-print**, n. Mark of finger, sp. as used in discovery of crime. **'-stall**, n. Cover for damaged finger. ('fiŋgə).
'finial, n. Building ornament put on top point of roof etc. ('finial).
'finical, **'finicking**, **'finicky**, aa. Over-delicate in taste; overfull of (attention to) details. ('finikl, 'finiking, 'finiki).
'finis, n. (Freq. put at end of book) the end. ('fainis).
'finish, 1. v.i. & t. Come to an end, the end of; put last touches, give polish, to; put an end to. 2. n. End; thing making complete; look, condition, when finished; polished behaviour. ('finiʃ).
'finite, a. With limits. ('fainait).
Finn, n. Person of Finland. '-ish, n., a. (Language) of the Finns. (fin).
'finnan haddock, n. Smoked HADDOCK. ('finən 'hədək).

fiord, n. Narrow arm of sea between slopes, as in Norway. (fjɔ:d).

fir, n. Sorts of evergreen tree with needle-like leaves. (fɜ:). 

fire, i. n. Condition of burning, flames; f. causing destruction; burning coal etc. for heating, cooking; strong feelings; going off of guns. *On f.*, burning; *under f.*, in range of gun-f. 2. v.t. & i. Make on fire for destruction; make worked up; let off gun; (of gun) go off; send (ball, etc.) from gun; make (bricks, etc.) hard in oven; [Com.] take position from (worker). *F. away!* Make a start! go on!; *f. up*, become suddenly angry.

f-alarm, n. Bell etc. sounded as sign that place is on fire. **f-arm**, n. Hand-gun. **-brand**, n. Bit of burning wood; person working up trouble. **f-brigade**, n. Body of men for putting out fires.

f-cracker, n. Small firework going off with sharp sound. **-damp**. See DAMP. **-dog**, n. ANDIRON. **f-eater**, n. Sp., person readily fighting, getting angry.

f-engine, n. Fire-brigade's engine. **f-escape**, n. Apparatus for getting out of burning building. **-fly**, n. Insect giving out light in the dark. **f-irons**, n. pl. Instruments used in keeping fire going in fireplace. **-man**, n. One of fire-brigade. **-place**, n. Space for fire in room. **f-proof**, a. Safe against burning.

-side, n. Space round fireplace. **-work**, n. Gunpowder etc. done up in different forms to be let off for amusement. **firing**, n. Sp., material for burning on fire. (fɜ:ɪə).

firkin, n. Small cask; 8 or 9 gallons. (fɜ:kɪn).

firm, a. Of solid structure; fixed, not moving; keeping to decisions. (fɜ:m).

firm, n. 2 or more persons having a business together, business house. **f-irmament**, [Let.] n. The sky. (fɜ:məmənt).

first, i. a. Earliest in time, order; most important. *F. thing*, before any other thing, early; *the F. Cause*, God. 2. adv. Earliest; for the f. time; before giving way (*I'll perish f.*). 3. n. (One getting) place in f. division of University test. *At f.*, at the start; *at, from, the f.*, at, from, the start; *the f.*, the person or thing coming or named f. **f-class**, **f-rate**, aa. Of best quality. **f-fruits**, n. pl. Sp., first of year's produce as offered to God.

f-hand, a. (Of knowledge) got by observation, not through another. **-ly**, adv. In the first place. (fɜ:st).

firth, **frith**, nn. Arm of sea. (fɜ:θ, frɪθ).

fiscal, a. To do with public money. (fɪskəl).

fish (fish(es)), i. n. Cold-blooded, back-boned animal living in water; f. as food. *A pretty kettle of f.*, troubling condition of things; *other f. to fry*, other, more important, things to do. 2. v.i. & t. Make attempts to get f. by use of net, hook and line, etc.; get pulled (*up, out of*). *F. for*, sp., make attempts to get (kind words, etc.) by suggestion; *f. in troubled waters*, make profit out of troubled condition. **-er(man)**, n. Man fishing, sp., for a living. **f-hook**, n. Hook for fishing. **-ing-line**, n. Line for fishing. **-ing-rod**, n. Long, thin rod to which line and hook are fixed for fishing.

f-kettle, n. Long vessel for boiling fish etc. in. **-monger**, n. Trader in fish. **f-slice**, n. Knife for division of fish at table; instrument for turning fish in cooking. **-wife**, n. Fish-market woman. **-y**, a. Sp., looking false, making one have doubts. (fɪʃ).

f-ssure, n. Deep crack in stone etc. (fɪʃə).

fit, n. Shut hand, sp. as used in fighting. **-icuffs**, n. pl. Fighting with fists. (fɪst).

fistula, n. Pipe-like ULCER. (fɪstjələ).

fit, n. Sudden short attack of disease etc.; sudden f. making violent or unconscious. *By ff. and starts*, from time to time, not regularly. **-ful**, a. Coming and going by fits and starts. (fɪt).

fit, i. a. Right, ready, for the purpose; healthy, in good condition. *See, think, f. to*, make a decision to. 2. v.t. & i. Be right for, go together with; be of right size and form for; make (sp., clothing) f.; f. clothing on (person); make f. (*for, to*). *F. in*, be in harmony with place, designs, etc.; make space or time for; *f. (place, person) out, up*, get ready by putting necessary things in, giving them to; *f. (place etc.) with*, put (some part, apparatus) in. 3. n. Way thing fits. **-ter**, n. One whose work is fitting clothing or machine-parts. **-ting**, i. a. Right for the purpose. 2. n. Sp., part put on as addition. *Ff.*, sp., necessary things fixed in box, house, etc.

five, 5. **-r**, [Hum.] n. £5 note. **-s**, n. Sport played with ball against 3 walls. (faɪv).

fix, i. v.t. & i. Make unable to be readily moved, changed; get joined (*to*); keep (eyes, attention) on; make (colour, camera-picture, etc.) safe against effects of light; make decision, come to agreement, about; make right, ready (freq. *f. up*). 2. n. Trouble, complex position. **-ative**, n., a. (Chemical) used to fix colours, etc. **-ed**, a. Unchanging,

regular. **-edly** ('fɪksɪdli), adv. With great attention. **-ity**, n. Quality of being fixed, unchanging. **-ture**, n. Thing fixed in place, position; (day fixed for) sport event etc. *Ff.*, sp., things fixed in house etc., such as lights. (fɪks).

fizz, v.i., n. (Make) sound (as) of gas coming out of liquid; [Hum.] CHAMPAGNE. **-le**, v.i. Fizz feebly. *F. out*, come to nothing. (fɪz).

fjord, n. FIORD. (fjɔ:d).

flabbergast, v.t. Overcome with surprise. ('flabəgə:st).

flabby, a. (Of skin etc.) hanging loose; feeble, without force. ('flabi).

flaccid, a. FLABBY. ('flæksɪd).

flag, n. Sorts of plant with blade-like leaf, living near water. (flag).

flag, n. Flat square of stone for floor, footway, etc.

flag, i. n. Square etc. of cloth (freq. with design on it), sp. as country's sign. *While f.*, f. put up as sign that peace is desired. 2. v.t. Make signs to with f(f). **f-day**, n. Day on which money is got for a cause by offering small flags etc. in street. **f-ship**, n. Ship of ADMIRAL. **-staff**, n. Tall stick on which flag is fixed.

flag, v.i. Become tired, less interested. **flagellant**, i. n. One whipping himself, sp. as act of religion. 2. a. Sp., given to whipping. **flagellate**, v.t. Give a whipping to. ('flædʒɪlənt).

flagolet, n. Small wind-instrument like whistle, with 6 holes. (flædʒu'let).

flagitious, a. Very wrong, shocking. (flæ'dʒɪʃəs).

flagon, n. Wine-vessel, freq. lipped and with cover. ('flæɡən).

flagrant, a. (Of crime, wrong act) open, without shame. ('fleɪɡrənt).

flail, n. Instrument of wood for separating waste from grain by blows. (fleɪl).

flair, n. Natural good taste in some special field. (fleə).

flake, i. n. Small, wool-like bit, sp. of snow; very thin, flat bit. 2. v.i. & t. Come or get off in ff. (fleɪk).

flambeau, n. Flaming torch. ('flæmbəu).

flamboyant, a. Brightly coloured, much ornamented. (flæm'boɪənt).

flame, i. n. (Tongue of) burning gas; [Com.] person with whom one is in love. *In ff.*, on fire. 2. v.i. Give out f(f); be very bright. (fleɪm).

flamingo, n. Long-legged water-bird with light red wings. (flæ'mɪŋɡu).

flange, n. Flat edge or part coming out from wheel etc., sp. for keeping it in position. (flændʒ).

flank, i. n. Side between RIB and HIP; side, sp. of building or army. 2. v.t. Be placed at f. of, sp., to make stronger; [Mil.] go round or by f. of. (flæŋk).

flannel, n. Thin, smooth, wool material; *Ff.*, f. underclothing; f. sports trousers. **-ette**, n. Flannel-like cotton. ('flænal).

flap, i. v.t. & i. Be waving (something soft and flat, sp. wings) up and down or from side to side. 2. n. (Sound of) a flapping; blow given by f.; wide, flat part of anything, hanging down or covering opening. **-jack**, n. Small flat cake of meal cooked in fat; small flat box for face powder. **-per**, n. Sp., [Hum.] young girl. (flæp).

flare, i. v.i. Give sudden bright flame; be burning with bright, uncertain flame. *F. up*, sp., become suddenly angry. 2. n. Flaring light; sudden burst of flame. (fleə).

flare, v.i., n. (Of skirt) get wider by degrees from top down.

flash, i. n. Sudden flame, quick, bright light. *F. in the pan*, attempt etc. which is quickly over, comes to nothing; *in a, like a, f.*, very quickly. 2. v.t. & i. (Make) give f(f); come suddenly into view or the mind (*f. (up)on*); go quickly; send (news, etc.) by flashing lights. **f-light**, n. Sp., small electric hand-light; sudden bright light used for taking camera-pictures by night. **-y**, a. Loud, over-ornamented, in bad taste. (flæʃ).

flask, n. Flat bottle for pocket, gen. covered with leather, etc.; narrow-necked bottle for oil or wine. (flæsk).

flat, i. a., adv. Parallel with the earth; level, smooth; uninteresting; (of drink) dead, with taste or gas gone; [Mus.] lower than true note. *A, B etc., flat*, [Mus.] note half a TONE lower than A, B etc.; *fall f.*, not give amusement etc. desired; *f. denial etc.*, a strong, clear one; *f. rate*, common price for 2 or more different things. 2. n. Stretch of low land near water (freq. *ff.*); [Mus.] an A, B etc. f.; the sign ♭ put before note making it a f. group of rooms on one floor, used as house. **f-footed**, a. With feet not normally arched. **f-iron**, n. Iron for ironing linen etc. **f-race**, n. Running competition on the level. (flæt).

flatter, v.t. Say over-kind things to (person) about himself for purpose of pleasing; give a feeling of pleasure to (senses); (of picture, painter) make (person) seem better-looking than he is. *F. oneself that*, have the pleasing opinion that. **-y**, n. Flattering. ('flætə).

flatulence, n. Having gas in stomach. ('flætjələns).

flaunt, v.t. & i. Put on view with very pleased air, sp. by waving; be forcing on public attention without shame. (flaʊnt).

flautist, n. FLUTE-player. ('flaʊtɪst).

flavour, i. n. Quality of taste, sp., mixed with smell; special quality, effect. 2. v.t. Give certain f. to. ('fleɪvə).

flaw, n. Crack, bad point, damaging mark;

FLAX

[Law] something in agreement etc. making it of no value. (flɔ:).
flax, n. Plant from stem of which linen thread is made; f. thread. '-en, a. Of flax; (of hair) light yellow. (flæks).
flay, v.t. Take skin off; make violent attack on in words. (fleɪ).
flea, n. Small jumping insect living on blood. 'f.-bite, n. Sp., something small, unimportant. (fli:).
fleck, i. n. Small coloured mark on something; grain of dust, etc. 2. v.t. Get marked with ff. (flek).
fled. See FLEE.
fledged, a. (Of birds) fully feathered. 'fledg(e)ling, n. Newly fledged bird; person without experience. (fledʒd).
flee (fled), v.i. & t. Go running away (from). (fli: (fled)).
fleece, i. n. Sheep's coat of wool; f.-like thing, material. 2. [Com.] v.t. Take (all) money, property, away from by trick. (fli:s).
fleet, n. Warships of a country; number of ships, boats, sailing together. (fli:t).
fleet, i. a. Quick-running. 2. v.i. (Of time etc.) go quickly by.
Fleming, n. Person of Flanders. **Flemish**, n., a. (Language) of Flanders. ('flemɪn).
flesh, i. n. Soft substance, sp. muscle, between skin and bone; meat; man's body as seat of physical desires. *In the f., living; one's own f. and blood*, one's blood relation(s). 2. v.t. Get (sports dog, etc.) worked up by giving taste of f. '-ings, n. pl. Tight flesh-coloured clothing used on stage. '-ly, a. Of physical desire, of the body. 'f.-pots, n. pl. Good food, material comforts. '-y, a. Sp., (of body) fat. (fleʃ).
'fleur-de-lis, n. Flower in HERALDRY; ARMS of France. ('flɔ: dɔ'li:).
flew. See FLY.
flex, i. n. Cord-covered wire used for connection of electric lights etc. 2. v.t. Get (sp. arm etc.) bent. '-ible, a. Readily bent; (of persons) readily making adjustments. '-or, n. Flexing muscle. (fleks).
'flibberti'gibbet, n. Foolish, pleasure-loving person, given to talk. ('flibɪtɪ'dʒɪbɪt).
flick, v.t., n. (Give) small, quick blow with whip etc. or finger-nail; [Com.] motion picture. (flik).
'flicker, i. v.i. (Of light, flame, etc.) be burning with quick, uncertain motion. 2. n. (Motion as of) flickering light. ('flike).



FLEUR-DE-LIS

FLOG

'flier. See FLY.
flight, n. Motion through air (as) with wings; journey by f.; a number of birds etc. in f. together; group of steps between 2 levels; running away from danger etc. *Put to f.*, make take f.; *take (to) f.*, go running away. **f.-lieutenant**, n. Man with position in Air Force between FLYING-OFFICER and WING-COMMANDER. (flaɪt).
'flighty, a. Not serious-minded, quickly changing. ('flaɪti).
'flimsy, a. Readily broken, badly made; (of material) thin, not strong. ('flɪmzi).
flinch, v.i. Make move of fear, pain, away (from). (flɪntʃ).
fling (flɪŋ), i. v.t. & i. Send violently through the air with hands; make sudden flinging motion with (part of body); go, put, roughly, angrily. *F. oneself into a thing*, sp., take it up with great interest. 2. n. A flinging motion; a quick Scot. dance. *Have a f. at*, make an attempt at; *have one's f.*, put pleasure first for a time. (flɪŋ (flaɪŋ)).
flint, n. Sort of very hard stone; bit of f., sp. as used with steel for producing fire; metal used as f. in lighter; '-lock, n. Old sort of gun, using a flint. (flɪnt).
flip, n., v.t. FILLIP, FLICK. (flɪp).
'flippant, a. Without enough respect for serious things. ('flɪpənt).
'flipper, n. Part of certain sea-animals used in swimming. ('flɪpə).
flirt, i. v.t. & i. Give sudden, quick move, shake, to; make love without serious purpose. 2. n. Flirting motion; person given to flirting. '-ation, n. (Of persons) flirting. '-tious, a. (Given to) flirting. (flɜ:t).
flit, i. v.i. Make change in one's living-place; be moving softly and quickly from place to place. 2. n. A flitting from one's house. (flɪt).
flitch, n. Side of pig's meat, salted for keeping. (flɪtʃ).
float, i. v.i. & t. Be kept up by liquid; be moving smoothly (as if) supported by liquid or air; make f. *F. a company, etc.*, get necessary money for, get started. 2. n. Cork etc., put on fishing-line as sign, on fishing-net as support, etc.; stage floating on water; low cart, sp., used as stage. **flo(a)otation**, n. Floating of company etc. (flaʊt).
flock, n. Bit of sheep's wool. *Ff.*, wool waste, etc., for cushions. (flɒk).
flock, i. n. Group of animals, sp. sheep, goats, kept together, of birds living together; persons of a church in relation to their PRIEST; great number of persons. 2. v.i. Come together, come in great numbers.
floe, n. Flat mass of moving ice. (fləʊ).
flog, v.t. Give blows to with whip, stick; send fishing-line over (water) again and again. '-ging, n. Whipping. (flɒg).

FLOOD

flood, i. n. Coming of water over land normally dry; outburst (of rain, crying, words). *The F.*, that of Noah's time (in Bible). 2. v.t. & i. Make covered or full of water; come in great numbers, amounts. '-gate, n. Door in structure across river, etc. for letting in or shutting out water. 'f.-light, n. Lighting apparatus for sending very strong light equally in all directions over outside of building etc. 'f.-tide, n. Incoming one. (flʌd).
floor, i. n. Part of room for walking on etc.; boards etc. forming f.; f.-like level space; rooms on one level in building. *First f.*, that coming first over ground-f.; [Am.] ground f.; *ground f.*, f. level with street; *take, have, the f.*, take, have, one's turn at talking at public meeting, etc. 2. v.t. Put f. in; be a f. for; send down with blow; put at a loss. 'f.-cloth, n. Cloth for washing floors. '-ing, n. Sp., material used for floors. (flɔ:).
flop, i. v.i. & t. (Of soft thing) come down (as if) pulled by its weight; be moving in a loose uncontrolled way; put down roughly, without care. 2. n. A flopping (sound). 3. adv. With a f. '-py, a. Hanging down, not stiff. (flɒp).
'flora, n. The plants natural to a special place or time. ('flɔ:rə).
'floral, a. Of flower(s). ('flɔ:rəl).
flōrescence, n. Condition or time of being in flower. (flɔ:'resəns).
'flore, n. Small flower, sp. as part of complex flower. ('flɔ:rɪt).
'florid, a. Over-ornamented; (of face) naturally very red. ('flɔrɪd).
'florin, n. Eng. bit of silver money equal to 2 shillings. ('flɔrɪn).
'florist, n. Trader in flowers. ('flɔrɪst).
floss, n. Rough silk covering cocoon of silkworm; untwisted threads of silk used in needlework. (flɒs).
flōtation. See FLOAT.
flōtilla, n. Small group of warships, group of boats, sailing together. (flaʊ'tɪlə).
'flotsam, n. Bits of wood, goods from ships, etc., moving on top of water. ('flɒtsəm).
flounce, v.i., n. (Make) quick, violent, sp. angry, motion(s) of body. (flaʊns).
flounce, i. n. Band round woman's skirt, stitched at its top edge and hanging in folds. 2. v.t. Put it (f.) on.
'flounder, n. Small flat-fish. ('flaʊndə).
'flounder, v.i., n. Make



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FLUMMERY

violent motions without helping oneself much, as in attempting to get out of water etc.; be as if floundering in talking or doing something.
flour, i. n. Grain meal, sp., of WHEAT. 2. v.t. Put f. over. (flaʊ).
'flourish, i. v.i. & t. Have healthy growth; do well; be living, working, in full development, (at certain time); be waving (something) about, putting on view. 2. n. A flourishing motion; (in handwriting) ornament of curving line(s); ornamented bit in writing or music; short burst of music on brass instrument(s). ('flaɪfɪʃ).
flout, v.t. & i. Make clear that one has no respect for; openly go against. (flaʊt).
flow, i. v.i. Go smoothly, as a river; (of liquids) be flowing out (from); (of hair, clothing) be long and hanging loose; (of tide) be coming in (ebb and f.). 2. n. Flowing motion; amount, liquid, flowing; great number (of words) coming out readily. '-ing, a. Sp., in long, unbroken curves. (fləʊ).
'flower, i. n. Part of plant producing seeds; the coloured (not green) parts of a plant; any plant with beautiful or clearly seen f(s); best, of a number of things, persons; best time of anything. *Ff. of speech*, ornamented language; *in f.*, with f(s). out. 2. v.i. & t. Have ff., be in f. '-et, n. Small flower. 'f.-pot, n. Pot for plant. '-y, a. Sp., full of flowers of speech. ('flaʊə).
flown. See FLY.
flu, n. INFLUENZA. (flu:).
'fluctuate, v.i. (Of value, level, etc.) be going up and down, changing this way and that. ('flæktʃʊeɪt).
flue, n. Pipe in smoke outlet for taking away smoke; pipe for taking heat to boiler, etc. (flu:).
flue, n. Bits of wool etc., FLUFF.
'fluent, a. Ready, expert, with words; marked by a ready, smooth, use of words. ('flu:ənt).
fluff, i. n. Soft, feather-like bits coming off wool material etc.; very soft, delicate hair. 2. v.t. Make (cushion, hair) soft like f. by shaking, etc. (flʌf).
'fluid, n., a. (Substance) formed of parts moving freely among themselves, as liquids or gases; freely changing or moving, not fixed. ('fluɪd).
fluke, n. Something effected by happy chance. (flu:k).
fluke, n. One or other of the flat, pointed ends of an ANCHOR; pointed part on HARPOON etc. *Ff.*, WHALE's tail.
fluke, n. Sorts of flat fish; flat worm causing disease in sheep's LIVER.
'flummery, n. Sweet food made with milk, eggs, etc.; foolish talk, sweet words without true feeling. ('flʌməri).

FLUMMOX

'flummoX, [Hum.] v.t. Put at a loss. ('flamaks).

'flung. See **FLING**.

'funkey, n. Specially dressed man-servant in house (sp. as person to be looked down on). ('flanki).

'fluo'rescence, n. Coloured light given out by some bodies when acted on by certain rays. (fluo'resens).

'flurry, i. n. Condition of being worked up, getting mixed, sp. in attempt to be quick; short, violent blowing of wind, fall of snow, rain. 2. v.t. Make in a f. ('flari).

'flush, i. v.t. & i. Make clean by sending mass of water through or over; (of water etc.) come bursting out; (of person, his face) become red; make f. 2. n. Sudden flushing of or with water; flushing of face; sudden strong feeling (of sp. pleasure); high point (of feeling, powers, etc.). 3. a. (Of river, etc.) overflow; well-off; level, in a line, (with). (flaf).

'flush, n. (In card play) 5 cards of same suit in hand of one player.

'fluster, i. v.t. & i. Make or be worked up, mixed, at a loss. 2. n. Condition of being flustered. ('flasta).

'flute, i. n. Pipe-like instrument of music. 2. v.i. & t. Be playing f.; make ornamented with fluting.

'fluting, n. Hollow lines formed in stone, cloth, by cutting, folding. **'flutist**, n. Flute-player. **'fluty**, a. Soft and clear in sound. (flu:t).

'flutter, i. v.i. & t. (Of birds) make wings go up and down quickly without flight or in short flights; be in quick motion giving suggestion of this; (of heart) have motion which is not regular; be moving quickly here and there without purpose. 2. n. A fluttering; worked-up condition; great interest, much talk, caused by something; [Hum.] BET. ('flata).

'fluvial, a. Of, in, rivers. ('flu:viəl).

'flux, i. n. Motion as of current, liquid; ever-changing motion, conditions; any substance put with metals etc. for helping fusion. 2. v.t. Make liquid by heat. (flaks).

'fly (flew, flown), i. v.i. & t. Go through air with wings or in airplane etc.; be driving (airplane); go quickly, go running away (from); (of flag, etc.) be waving in air; put up (flag). **F. at**, sp., make sudden angry attack on; **f. high**, sp., be attempting great things; **flying visit**, short one; **f. in the face of**, sp., go against openly; **f. into a passion**, become suddenly very angry; **f. open, to bits, etc.**, come open etc. suddenly and with force;



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let **f. at**, send a sudden blow at; **with flying colours**, having done well. 2. n. Flying; sort of one-horse public carriage; bit of cloth covering buttonholes; loose bit of canvas forming door of TENT. 3. [Hum.] a. Bright, taking everything in.

'flier, n. Sp., airman. **'f-away**, a. (Of person) not serious. **'-ing**, a., n. **F. buttress**, arched support against outside wall of Gothic buildings; **f. fox**, sorts of BAT living on fruit. **'-ing-fish**, n. Fish jumping out of water with help of wing-like FINS. **'-ing-officer**, n. Man in second from lowest position with commission in Air Force. **'f-leaf**, n. Unprinted page at front or end of book. **'f-wheel**, n. Weighted wheel in machine, for keeping motion regular. (flai (flu:, flown)).

'fly, n. Two-winged insect, sp. the common house-fly; sorts of plant disease caused by certain flies. **F. in the ointment**, small thing making pleasure a little less than complete. **'f-blown**, a. (Of meat, etc.) having flies' eggs in it, going bad. **'f-catcher**, n. Sorts of bird. **'f-paper**, n. Sticky paper for getting flies.

'foal, i. n. Young horse, ASS, etc. **In f.**, about to have a f. 2. v.i. & t. (Of horse etc.) give birth to f. (foul).

'foam, i. n. White mass of small air-balls formed in liquid by motion, chemical change, etc. 2. v.i. Be forming f.; give out f. from mouth; (of horse etc.) get f. on skin through being overheated. (foum).

'fob, n. Small watch-pocket in band of trousers; bit of silk etc. weighted with ornament, hanging from watch in f. (fob).

'fob, v.t. **F. (thing) off on (person)**, give (something of lower quality) to by trick; **f. (person) off with (thing)**, f. (it) off on (him).

'fo'c'sle, n. FORECASTLE. ('fouksl).

'focus, i. n. Meeting-point of light-rays; point at which a thing has to be placed for looking-glass, LENS, or eye to give clear picture; meeting-point (of lines, tendencies, etc.). **In f.**, at f. of eye etc.; (of eye etc.) having made adjustment to give clear picture. 2. v.t. & i. (Make) come together at a f.; put in f. **'focal**, a. Of the, at a, focus. ('foukəs).

'fodder, i. n. Dry grass etc. for farm animals. 2. v.t. Give f. to. ('foda).

'foe, n. ENEMY. (fou).

'fog, i. n. Thick mist making it hard to see. **In a f.**, not clear in mind. 2. v.t. Be (as) f. over. **'f-horn**, n. One for giving danger-sign to ships in fog. (fɒg).

'fogey, n. One whose ideas have not kept up with the times (gen. old f.). ('fougi).

'foible, n. Small bad quality, foolish little way, trick, of behaviour. ('foibl).

'foil, n. Metal rolled, hammered very thin; leaf of f. put under jewel to make brighter; thing of very different colour,

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quality, from another, increasing its effect by comparison. (foil).

'foil, v.t. Get the better of (person), make (designs) of no effect.

'foil, n. Blade without sharp edge, having button on point, used in FENCING.

'foist, v.t. Only **f. (thing) on, off on, (person)**, get (person) to take (something poor, not desired), sp. by trick. (foist).

'fold, i. n. Walled-in place for sheep. 2. v.t. Put (sheep) in a f. (fould).

'fold, i. v.t. & i. Get (thing) bent over on itself; be or be able to be folded. **F. (something) in**, get folded round with; **f. one's arms**, put arms across chest under and over one another; **f. (something) round**, put all round as cover. 2. n. A folding; folded part; line made by folding; twist of snake etc. **'-er**, n. Folded card or paper with advertisement etc. printed on it; folding cover for papers etc.

'foliage, n. Leaves (of trees, plants). ('fouliɪdʒ).

'foliate, a. Leaf-like; having leaves. ('fouliet).

'folio, n. Bit of paper folded into 2, making 4 pages; book having page of greatest size used in printing; (in printing) page number; number of words (72 or 90) as unit in measuring writing for copying etc. purposes. ('fouliu).

'folk, n. pl. Men and women, persons. **One's f(f.)**, one's family, relations. **'f-dance**, **'f-song**, nn. Old country dance, song. **'f-lore**, n. Common beliefs, stories, handed down from early times; these as branch of learning. **'f-ways**, n.pl. The old ways common to a group, nation. (fouk).

'follicle, n. Small pocket in skin etc., as at root of hair; dry seed-vessel without divisions. ('folikl).

'follow, v.t. & i. Come, or be placed, after in space, time, order; f. as effect of; go after; take as guide, example, rule; keep to (way, road); keep thread of (another's argument). **As follows**, as given under; **f. a trade etc.**, have as one's trade, business; **f. from something**, be seen to be true if it is true; **f. out**, keep to (directions, purpose); **f. up**, sp., go further with (line of thought, etc.). **'-er**, n. Sp., woman servant's sweetheart. **'-ing**, n. Sp., body of supporters. **The f.**, those now to be named. ('folou).

'folly, n. Being foolish. ('fɒli).

'fo'ment, v.t. Give heat to (wound etc.) with warm water, medical substances; be causing, increasing, (trouble, bad feelings etc.). **fomentation**, n. Sp., warm dressing for wound. (fo'ment).

'fond, a. Loving, sp. foolishly so; (of hopes etc.) dear, but with little support in fact. **F. of**, having love for. (fond).

'fondant, n. Sort of soft sweet. ('fɒndənt)

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'fondle, v.t. & i. Give loving touches to. ('fɒndl).

'font, n. Vessel for BAPTISM water. (font).

'food, n. That which living thing has to take in to keep it living and for growth; things forming meals, sp., other than drink. **'f-stuffs**, n. pl. Materials used as food. (fu:d).

'fool, n. Food of cooked fruit crushed and mixed with milk. (fu:l).

'fool, i. n. Person without sense, unwise person; man kept by ruler etc. in old times for his amusement. **April f.**, one who has been tricked for amusement on April 1 (**All Fools' Day**); **f.'s errand**, journey etc. seen in the end to be unnecessary or foolish; **f.'s paradise**, happy condition based on error; **make a f. of**, get the better of by trick, make seem foolish; **play the f.**, be acting foolishly, sp. for others' amusement. 2. v.i. & t. Be playing the f. for amusement; make f. of by trick. **F. away**, be wasting. **'-ery**, n. Sp., fooling. **'-hardy**, a. Over-ready for danger. **'-proof**, a. So clear, simple, that error is not possible. **'-scap**, n. Writing paper 13 inches long and 8 inches wide.

'foot (feet), i. n. Part forming lower end of leg; part like f. in form or position, base; unit of measure, 12 inches; unit of verse rhythm; branch of army going on f. **Carry person off his ff.**, make him overcome by feeling, interest; **keep one's ff.**, not have a fall; **on f.**, walking, in process; **on one's ff.**, sp., getting on well in business etc.; **put one's f. down**, sp., say strongly that one is against, give order for thing to be stopped; **put one's f. in it**, do, say, the wrong thing. 2. v.t. Put new f. to (stocking). **F. the bill (for)**, be the one to give the money (for). **'f-and-mouth dis'ease**, n. Serious disease of cows etc. **'-ball**, n. (Form of sport with) great leather ball full of air. **'f-board**, n. Sloped board for supporting driver's feet in carriage. **'-er**, [Com.] n. Sport of football. **'-fall**, n. Sound of footstep. **'f-hills**, n. pl. Low slopes at foot of mountain range. **'-hold**, n. (Place giving) room, support, for feet, in going up mountains etc. **'-ing**, n. Foothold; safe position; position in relation to others. **'-lights**, n. pl. Lights at front edge of stage for lighting it. **'-man**, n. Manservant for carriage, door, and table. **'-note**, n. Note at foot of page about something said on it. **'-pad**, n. ROBBER attacking person in street. **'f-path**, n. Sidewalk. **'-print**, n. Mark of foot. **'-sore**, a. With pain in feet from walking. **'-step**, n. Footfall; footprint. **'-stool**, n. One for resting feet on. (fut (fɪ:t)).

'fop, n. Man caring overmuch for dress. (fɒp).

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for, *i.* prep. Representative of; in place of; in exchange; in support of; with a view to or to the interests of; to get; to get to (*sailing f. India*); as being; because of (*noted f. his books*); as far as it has to do with (*f. my part, f. all I know*); balanced against (*man f. man the armies are equal*); through the space, time, named; freq. used with OBJECT and INFINITIVE with "to" (*f. us to do this is wrong* = the doing of this by us is wrong). *F. all his protests, etc.*, though he made protests, etc.; *f. all that*, though that is so; *f. all the world like*, in every way like; *f. the most part*, chiefly; *it is f. him etc. to*, it is his etc. right, part, business, to; *once (and) f. all*, now and not again, *f. the last time*. 2. conj. Because, seeing that. -**as much as**, conj. Because. (fə: fə).

forage, *i.* n. Food for horses, cows. *F. cap*, soft military head-cover used when not in full dress. 2. v.i. & t. Go looking for f., food etc.; give f. to. (fəridʒ).

foray, v.i., n. (Make) sudden attack, sp. to get food, animals etc. (fərei).

forbear, n. Person earlier in family line. (fə:beə).

forbear (forbore, forbore), v.i. Not give way to impulse (to); be quiet and controlled (in trouble etc.). -**ing**, a. Putting up with kindly. (fə:beə (fə:bo:)).

forbid (forbad(e), forbidden), v.t. Give order to (person) not (to); give orders against (thing) taking place or to (person) not to have (thing). -**ding**, a. Hard, cold, displeasing. (fə'bid (fə'bad)).

force, *i.* n. Quality of being strong, power of body or mind; [Sc.] (measure of) power giving bodies tendency to motion; use of f., sp. violently; violent f. against others; anything causing a tendency, looked on as a f.; power of producing strong effect; body of armed men; (of law etc.) authority; (of statement etc.) sense, effect designed. *Ff.*, army; *by f. of*, with the help of, because of; *in f.*, in great number; (of laws) in operation; *police f.*, the police of a place (freq. *the f.*). 2. v.t. Make (person to do), sp., by violent f.; get (something) into some position etc. by use of f. etc.; get broken open by f.; make come about by f. or with trouble; make (sp. plant) come to full development earlier than normal by special attention; make use of, take, (words) in unnatural sense. *F. person's hand*, make him do something before the time designed by him; *f. the pace*, make others go more quickly by going more quickly oneself; *forced march*, one made by army very quickly, for some special purpose. -**ful**, a. (Of persons, arguments etc.) full of force. **f.-meat**, n. Bread, meat etc. cut up

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small with HERBS and put inside fowl or meat. **forcible**, a. Done by force. (fə:s).

forceps, n. Medical instrument for gripping. (fə:sɛps).

ford, *i.* n. Place where river etc. is not deep and persons go across through water. 2. v.t. Go across at f. (fə:d).

fore, *i.* adv., a. In front. *F. and aft*, (of ship) at front and back, all over. 2. n. Front (sp., of ship). (fə:).

fore-, Front. -**foot**, -**leg**, -**mast**, -**sail** (n.); before the event etc. -**arm** (v.), -**doom** (v.), -**know**, -**taste** (n.), -**tell**, -**warn**.

forearm, n. Lower part of arm. (fə:ra:m).

forebode, v.t. Be sign of, have feeling of, (coming trouble). **foreboding**, n. Sp., such feeling. (fə:bəʊd).

forecast (forecast), v.t. Make an attempt to say (what is going to take place). **forecast**, n. Statement forecasting, sp., weather. (fə:kast).

forecastle, n. High, forward (part of) DECK; forward part under DECK used as sailors' living-place. (fəʊkəl).

foreclose, [Law] v.t. & i. Put into effect right given by (MORTGAGE) to take property if payment has not been made at right time. **foreclosure**, n. A foreclosing. (fə:kloʊz).

forefathers, n. pl. ANCESTORS. (fə:fə:ðəz).

forefinger, n. Finger nearest thumb. (fə:fɪŋgə).

forefront, n. Front line, most forward position. (fə:frʌnt).

foregoing, a. Going before in time, space, or order. (fə:gəʊɪŋ).

foregone, a. *F. conclusion*, outcome which may be seen from the start. (fə:gən).

foreground, n. Part of view nearest the person looking. (fə:ɡraʊnd).

forehand, a. Opp. BACKHAND. (fə:hand).

forehead, n. Part of face between hair and eyes. (fə:rid).

foreign, a. Not of one's country; to do with relations with other countries; coming from outside, not natural to substance etc. (*f. body, matter*); strange, different. *F. Office*, branch of government having to do with f. relations; *f. to*, sp., having no connection with. -**er**, n. Person not of one's country. (fə:ɪn).

forelock, n. Bit of hair at front of head, falling over face. (fə:lɒk).

foreman, **forewoman**, nn. Workman (woman) over others. (fə:mən, fə:wu:mən).

foremost, a. adv. First in order, position; most important. (fə:məʊst).

forenoon, n. Part of day before 12. (fə:nʊ:n).

forensic, a. (As) of courts of law. (fə:rensɪk).

foreordain, v.t. (Of God etc.) make

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(event) necessary, certain to take place. (fə:ɔ:deɪn).

forerunner, n. One coming before, making way ready for, another in history. (fə:ɾənə).

foresee, v.t. See (what is going to take place) before it does so. (fə:si:).

foreshadow, v.t. Be a sign of (coming event). (fə:ʃadəʊ).

foreshore, n. Part of land by sea between high and low watermarks. (fə:ʃə:).

foreshorten, v.t. Make (thing seen at angle) seem the right size by picturing it as shorter than it is. (fə:ʃɔ:tn).

foresight, n. Care for, power of judging about, the future. (fə:sait).

forest, n. Trees covering great stretch of country. -**er**, n. Man taking care of forest. -**ry**, n. (Science of) planting and taking care of forests. (fə:ɪst).

fore'stall, v.t. Do something which keeps (another) from doing (gen. the same thing). (fə:stɔ:ɪl).

foretell (foretold), v.t. Give account of (the future, an event) before it takes place. (fə:tel (fə:təʊld)).

forethought, n. Thought, care, for the future. (fə:θɔ:t).

foreword, n. Short bit of writing at front of book, sp. by another than the writer. (fə:wɔ:d).

forfeit, *i.* v.t. Have to give up as punishment or by rule of play. 2. n. What is or is to be forfeited. 3. a. (To be) forfeited. -**ure**, n. Forfeiting. (fə:fɪt).

for'fend, [Old] v.t. Only *God etc. f.*, God etc. keep from taking place. (fə:fend).

for'gather, v.i. Come together, have a meeting (with). (fə:'ɡaðə).

for'gave. See FORGIVE.

forge, v.i. *F. ahead*, go forward by hard work. (fə:dʒ).

forge, *i.* n. (Work-place with) open fire for forging metal sp., for shoeing horses. 2. v.t. & i. Get (metal) into form by heating in fire and hammering.

forge, v.t. & i. Make up (false story etc.); make copy of (something sp., in writing) for purpose of tricking. -**ry**, n. Forging; forged story, copy, sp. person's name on cheque.

for'get (forgot, forgotten), v.t. & i. Not keep in memory; not take into account. *F. oneself*, sp., do something uncontrolled, against good behaviour. -**ful**, a. Given to forgetting. **f.-me-not**, n. Plant with small sky-blue flower. (fə'get (fə'gɒt)).

for'give (forgave, forgiven), v.t. & i. Not be angry with, not give punishment to, (person) for doing wrong to one or causing one pain; let person off punishment for (crime), payment of (debt). -**ness**, n. Act, quality, of forgiving. (fə'gɪv (fə'geɪv)).

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for'go (forwent, forgone), v.t. Go without, give up. (fə:gəʊ (fə:'went, fə:'gɒn)).

fork, *i.* n. Table instrument with long points for putting food in mouth, etc.; farm instrument of like form for turning up the earth, lifting etc.; (point of) division (of road, stick etc.) into branches. 2. v.t. & i. Be lifting or moving with f.; be branching out. *F. out*, [Hum.] give money. (fə:k).

for'lorn, a. With friends gone; unhappy, uncared for. *F. hope*, thing undertaken with all chances against it. (fə'lɔ:n).

form, *i.* n. Outline of thing; structure, design, look, of thing; sort, way of being; any of the words produced by changing look or sound of a word as sign of different use in GRAMMAR or for any other reason; fixed order of words, behaviour; paper with fixed form of words, sp. with spaces for answers, details etc., to be put in; long, hard, narrow seat, gen. without back; division of learners in school all at one stage; (of horse, runner etc.) condition. *Good (bad) f.*, behaviour in (not in) agreement with rules of good society. 2. v.t. & i. Give f. to, make; get into a f., come into being; be or be parts of. -**al**, a. In agreement with fixed form(s); balanced, regular, in design; keeping to right forms of behaviour, stiff; to do with form, not substance. -**ality**, n. Sp., formal act or behaviour. -**alize**, v.t. Give fixed form to, sp. in law. -**ation**, n. Sp., structure, order and relation of parts. -**less**, a. Without clearly marked form. (fɔ:m).

format, n. Form and size of book. (fɔ:mat).

former, a. Of the past, earlier. *The f.*, (a. & pron.) the first-named of two. -**ly**, adv. In former times, before this. (fɔ:mə).

formidable, a. Very strong, to be feared; hard to do. (fɔ:mɪdəbl).

formula, n. Fixed form of words; [Sc.] rule, fact, given in form of signs and numbers; group of signs n...ing clear of what simple substances a complex chemical substance is formed. -**te**, v.t. Put into clear, ordered statement. (fɔ:mjələ).

fornication, n. Sex relations between persons not married to one another. (fɔ:mɪ'keɪʃn).

for'sake (forsook, forsaken), v.t. Go away from, give up. (fə'seɪk (fə'sʌk)).

for'sooth, [Old] adv. Without doubt, certainly. (fə'su:θ).

for'swear (forsook, forsworn), v.t. Give up using, doing. *F. oneself*, make a false statement on OATH. **for'sworn**, a. Having f. oneself. (fə:'swəʊ (fə:'swɔ:)).

fort, n. Military building made strong against attack. (fɔ:t).

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forte, n. What one is best at. (fɔ:t).
'forte, [Mus.] a., adv. Loud. (fɔ:'ti).
forth, adv. Forward, out; on (in time).
And so f., and so on. -**coming**, a. About to take place; open, ready to be a friend. *Be f.*, (of help etc.) be ready, given, when needed. -**right**, a. Straight-forward, saying what is in one's mind.
-with, adv. Straight away, without loss of time. (fɔ:θ).
'fortify, v.t. & i. Make (place) strong against attack with walls, guns etc.; make stronger, give support to. **fortification**, n. Sp., military structure fortifying place (gen. ff.). (fɔ:'tɪfaɪ).
fortissimo, [Mus.] a., adv. Very loud. (fɔ:'tɪsɪmo).
'fortitude, n. Self-control in face of danger, pain, or trouble. (fɔ:'tɪtju:d).
'fortnight, n. Two weeks. -**ly**, adv., a. Once a fortnight. (fɔ:'tnait).
'fortress, n. Building, town, with strong fortifications. (fɔ:'trɪs).
fortuitous, a. Coming about by chance. (fɔ:'tju:ɪtəs).
'fortune, n. Chance looked on as a power in man's existence; whatever comes to person or undertaking; great amount of money, property. *Soldier of f.*, person ready to make a profit from any chance which comes his way; *tell ff.*, make attempt to say what person's future will be by use of cards etc.
'fortunate, a. Having good fortune.
'f-hunter, n. Man whose purpose it is to get married to some woman with a fortune. (fɔ:'tʃən).
forty, 40. (fɔ:'ti).
'forum, n. [Rom.] Open meeting-place for public and other business; meeting for public discussion. (fɔ:'rəm).
'forward, i. a. At, to, the front; (of plant, person, etc.) well on in development; putting oneself forward, pushing. **'forward(s)**, adv. In forward direction in space or time. *Look f. to*, sp., be waiting for (coming event) with pleasure. 2. v.t. Give help to (undertaking etc.); send (letter etc.) after person to another place. 3. n. Front-line player in football etc. -**ness**, n. Quality of pushing oneself forward. (fɔ:'wəd).
fosse, n. Deep narrow hole made in earth, sp. round fort. (fɔs).
'fossil, n., a. (Part of) animal or plant of early times, turned to stone and bedded in the earth. *Old f.*, [Hum.] person unable to take in new ideas. (fɔsɪl).
'foster, v.t. Give care to; give help to development of. (fɔstə).
'foster-, Acting as, but not being, blood relation named (*f-mother* etc.).
fought. See FIGHT.
foul, i. a. Disgusting, bad-smelling, dirty; (of air, water) bad; very wrong, bad;

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(in sport) against the rules; (of language) bad, violent; (of weather etc.) rough.
Fall f. of, put (someone) against one; *f. play*, sp., low trick, violent crime, sp. of putting to death. 2. n. (In sport) something done against rules. 3. v.t. Make dirty; (of ships etc.) go violently against; get (ANCHOR, chain) twisted in something. (faʊl).
'foulard, n. Thin silk material. (fu:lə:d).
found, v.t. & i. Put down base of (structure etc.), get based (on); give (something) its start; give money for building and upkeep of (hospital, school etc.).
-ation, n. Sp., lowest part of building supporting the rest; base, support; material placed under other material to make it stronger, stiffer; organization founded or money given for this.
-ation-stone, n. First stone of building put down. -**er**, -**ress**, nn. Man (woman) starting something. (faʊnd).
found. See FIND.
'founder, v.i. & t. (Of ship) become full of water and go down; make f.; (of building, earth etc.) come down, give way; (of horse) have leg give way, have fall. (faʊndə).
'foundling, n. Baby taken care of by others because no one has knowledge of its father and mother. (faʊndlɪŋ).
'foundry, n. Metal or glass works. (faʊndri).
fount, n. Complete group of printer's letters and numbers of same design and size. (font).
fount, n. Spring of water; starting-point, that from which thing comes. (faunt).
'fountain, n. Spring of water; water forced up into air through holes in pipes and falling, as ornament; structure for this; public basin etc. with drinking-water. **f-head**, n. Sp., that from which anything gets its start. **f-pen**, n. Pen with store of ink in it. (fauntən).
four, 4. On all fours, on hands and knees.
'f-in-hand, n. Carriage pulled by 4 horses. -**poster**, n. Curtained bed with 4 uprights supporting a roof. -**some**, n. (In GOLF) play between 2 sides of 2. **f-square**, a. Solidly based, strong.
-teen, 14. **f-wheeler**, n. Public, 4-wheeled, shut horse-carriage. (fɔ:).
fowl, i. n. [Old] Bird; sort of bird commonly kept for its eggs and as food; meat of this. 2. v.i. Go after birds with



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gun etc. -**ing-piece**, n. Small gun used in fowling. (faʊl).
fox, n. Red-coated, thick-tailed, sharp-nosed animal of dog family; one good at tricking, a twister. -**glove**, n. Tall plant with bell-like flowers. -**hound**, n. One used in going after foxes. **f-terrier**, n. Small, short-haired, white dog marked with black or brown.
-trot, n. American dance. (fɔks).
'foyer, [F.] n. Space in theatre for use by public between acts. (fɔ'iei).
'fracas (fracas), n. Loud argument, fight. (f'raka:).
'fraction, n. Number which is not an INTEGER; small part, bit. *Proper, improper*, f., f. less, greater, than 1; *vulgar f.*, f. in form of one number over and one under a line ($\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$ etc.). (f'rakʃən).
'fractious, a. Not readily controlled, bad-humoured. (f'rakʃəs).
'fracture, i. n. Act of getting, or condition of being, broken, sp. of bone. *Compound (simple) f.*, one with (without) skin wound. 2. v.t. & i. Get broken, cracked. (f'raktʃə).
'fragile, a. Readily broken, delicate; not strong in body. (f'rædʒail).
'fragment, n. Part broken off; part (of book etc.) which is not complete. -**ary**, a. Not complete. (f'rægmənt).
'fragrant, a. Sweet-smelling. (f'reɪgrənt).
'frail, a. FRAGILE; readily giving way to wrong impulses. -**ty**, n. Tendency to do wrong; bad point in person. (freil).
frame, i. n. Structure giving form, support, sp. in process of building, making; person's, animal's, body; edge of wood etc. put round picture, glass; glass-covered structure for keeping cold from young plants. *F. of mind*, condition of mind, feeling. 2. v.t. & i. Give form to, sp., in words; put f. round; be (as) a f. to. *F. well (badly)*, make a good (bad) start at learning, doing. **f-up**, n. Trick designed to make person seem to have done crime. -**work**, n. Supporting frame. (freim).
franc, n. Unit, bit, of F. money. (fræŋk).
'franchise, n. Right to a voice in selection of government representative; full political rights given by country or town; special right given by authority to person or public body. (fræntʃaɪz).
'Franco-, French-. (fræŋkou-).
'frank, a. Open, straightforward. (fræŋk).
'frank, i. n. Mark put on letter by special authority, so that it may go post-free. 2. v.t. Put f. on.
'frankincense, n. Substance got from certain trees, giving a sweet smell when burned. (fræŋkɪnsens).
'frantic, a. Greatly worked up, almost off one's head with pain, trouble, etc. -**ally**, adv. (fræntɪk).

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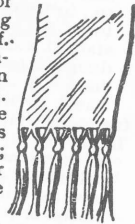
fra'ternal, a. Of, like, brothers. **fra'ternity**, n. Feeling as between brothers; order of men of religion; group having common interests; [Am.] secret society among young men at university.
'fraternize (fratnaɪz), v.i. Come together as friends, become friends (*with*). (frə'tɜ:nəl).
'fratricide, n. Putting to death by person of his brother or sister; one who does this. (f'reɪtrɪsaɪd).
fraud, n. False behaviour, trick, sp. about money; person or thing seeming to be what it is not. (frɔ:d).
fraught, a. Only f. *with*, full of, having in it (danger, pain etc.). (frɔ:t).
fray, n. Fight. (frei).
fray, v.t. & i. (Of cloth, cord) make, become, rubbed through, rough or loose at edge.
'frazzle, [Am.] n. *Beaten to a f.*, completely overcome; *worn to a f.*, very tired. (f'razl).
freak, n. Strange idea, way; person having ff.; person, animal, plant, of unnatural form. (fri:k).
'freckle, i. n. Light brown mark on skin caused by sun. 2. v.t. & i. Make or become marked with ff. (f'rekli).
free, i. a. Not a SLAVE; not prisoned; not in the power of another, or of outside forces; not limited; (of country) having representative government, in which private rights are respected; not fixed or kept from motion in any direction; (of place, time) clear, not being used; having one's time f., not doing anything; for which no payment is necessary; coming readily, not forced; natural in behaviour, freq. without respect. *F. and easy*, not stiff in behaviour; *f. fight*, fight in which everybody takes part; *f. from*, - without (error etc.); *f. trade*, letting goods come into country untaxed; *f. translation*, one putting something naturally into another language, not word for word; *f. wheel*, (in BICYCLE) driving wheel able to go round while feet are at rest; *f. will*, power of guiding one's acts oneself, not being a machine controlled by events; *f. with*, giving (thing) readily; *have (give person) a f. hand*, have etc. power to do what seems best; *make (person) f. of*, give (person) f. use of; *make f. with*, make use of without respect for rights of owner. 2. v.t. Make f. -**booter**, n. PIRATE. -**dom**, n. Condition of being free or free from. *The f. of*, the full use of (house etc.); full rights in (town etc.). **'f-hand**, a. (Of design) done without help of rule or other guiding instrument. **f-handed**, a. Readily giving. -**hold**, n. Property, sp. land, over which owner has complete rights. **f-lance**,

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n. Person working in some field, sp., writing for newspapers, not as part of organization or in regular position. **-ly**, adv. Readily, without being forced or stopped. **-man**, **n.** One not a **SLAVE**; one having full political rights; one given freedom of a town. **-mason**, **n.** One of a secret society having branches in most parts of Europe and America. **f.-thinker**, **n.** Person basing views in religion not on authority but on reason etc. (**fri:**). **'freesia**, **n.** Sorts of sweet-smelling flower. (**'friez:**). **freeze** (**froze**, **frozen**), **v.t. & i.** (Make) become ice or covered with ice; (make) become stiff from cold; be feeling very cold; **f.** (meat etc.) to keep it from going bad. **F. on to**, sp., [**Hum.**] take, keep, a tight grip of; **f. out**, [**Com.**] put out (of society, business etc.) by cold behaviour, competition; **it is freezing**, the weather is so cold that water freezes. **'freezing-point**, **n.** Degree of cold at which a liquid freezes, sp., the **f.** of water. (**fri:z** (**frouz**)). **freight**, **i. n.** (Price of) transport of goods by train or boat; goods transported, sp., in this way. **2. v.t.** Put **f.** on (ship etc.). **-er**, **n.** Ship for freight. (**freit**). **French**, **n., a.** (Language) of France. **F. bean**, sorts whose seeds are used for food with or without green seed-vessel; **F. window**, long window in form of two doors, opening in middle; **take F. leave**, go away without authority; **the F.**, **F. persons**. (**frentf**). **'frenzy**, **n.** Violently worked up, angry, condition. (**'frenzi**). **'frequent**, **a.** Taking place again and again with little time between; common. **fre'quent**, **v.t.** Go frequently or regularly to. **'frequency**, **n.** Sp., number of times a thing takes place in a given time; [**Sc.**] rate of **VIBRATION** of sound-waves etc. (**'fri:kwənt**). **'fresco**, **n.** (Way of) painting in water-colour on walls. (**'freskou**). **fresh**, **i. a.** New, different; newly made, come etc.; in good condition, not tired; (of weather, wind) sharp, not warm; (of water) not salt, (of food) not salted or tinned; [**Com.**] without enough respect in behaviour to others. **F. air**, clean, good air; the outdoor air, country air; **f. complexion**, bright, healthy one. **2. adv.** Newly. **-er**, **-man**, **nn.** Person in first year at University. **-et**, **n.** Current of fresh water going into sea; river made full and quick as effect of much rain or snow. (**fref**). **fret**, **n.** Bit of wood on fingerboard of some instruments of music. (**fret**). **fret**, **v.t.** Get (wood etc.) ornamented with designs cut in it. **'f.-saw**, **n.** Narrow saw stretched on frame for

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fretting very thin wood. **-work**, **n.** Work, design, done by fret-saw. **fret**, **v.t. & i.** Get rubbed away; be unhappy, greatly troubled by regrets, fears etc. **-ful**, **a.** Bad-humoured, not readily pleased. **'friable**, **a.** Readily broken into small bits. (**'fraibl**). **'friar**, **n.** Man in certain orders of religion, sp., one having no fixed living-place and dependent on what is given to him. **-y**, **n.** Building, society, of friars. (**'fraiə**). **fricas'see**, **n., v.t.** Meat cut up and cooked in thick liquid. (**frika'si:**). **'friction**, **n.** Rubbing of one thing against another; [**Sc.**] force causing loss of motion in body as effect of **f.**; condition of not being in agreement, harmony. (**'frikʃən**). **'Friday**, **n.** 6th day of the week. **Good F.**, **F.** before **EASTER**. (**'fraidi**). **friend**, **n.** Person, not a lover or relation, who is dear to one, in whose society one takes pleasure; helper, supporter, one on the same side. **A F.**, one of the Society of **Ff.**; **boy f.**, **girl f.**, sp., sweetheart; **make ff. with**, become a **f.** of; **Society of Ff.**, the **QUAKERS**. (**frend**). **frieze**, **n.** Sort of rough wool cloth. (**fri:z**). **frieze**, **n.** Band of ornament round wall, sp. at top. **'frigate**, **n.** Smaller sort of warship in old times. (**'frit**). **fright**, **n.** Sudden or violent fear; strange-looking, badly-dressed person. **-en**, **v.t.** Give a fright to, put fear into. **-ened**, **a.** In fear (**of**, **at**). **-ful**, **a.** Shocking, causing fear; [**Com.**] very bad, displeasing. **-fully**, **adv.** Sp., [**Com.**] very. (**frait**). **'frigid**, **a.** Cold; without warm feeling. **F. zones**, parts of the earth inside **POLAR** circles. (**'fridʒid**). **frill**, **n.** Band in form of **FLOUNCE** ornamenting anything; anything like **f.** in form; unnecessary ornament. **-ing**, **n.** Material in folds ready for frills. (**fril**). **fringe**, **i. n.** Edge of loose threads knotted etc., as ornament; edge, outskirts; front hair cut short over eyes. **2. v.t.** Put **f.** on; be a **f.** to. (**frindʒ**). **'frillery**, **n.** Cheap ornament(s). (**'fripəri**). **frisk**, **v.i.** **n.** Be jumping about, as in play. **-y**, **a.** Frisking, full of play. (**frisk**). **'fritter**, **n.** Bit of **BATTER**, freq. with fruit in it, cooked in fat. (**'frita**). **'fritter**, **v.t.** **F. away**, be wasting (time, money, etc.) bit by bit. **'frivolous**, **a.** Unimportant, foolish; pleasure-loving, not serious. **'frivol**, **v.i. & t.** Be acting frivolously. **F. away**,



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be wasting foolishly. **fri'volity**, **n.** (**'frivol**). **friz(z)**, **i. v.t.** Make (hair) tightly waved. **2. n.** Frizzed hair. (**friz**). **'frizzle**, **v.t. & i.** Get, be, cooked in fat with crackling sound. (**frizl**). **fro**, **adv.** Only to and **f.**; back and forward, to and from (**between** two places). (**frou**). **frock**, **n.** A dress; long dress of **MONK**. **f.-coat**, **n.** Man's long-skirted coat not cut away in front. (**frok**). **frog**, **n.** Small jumping animal without tail, living in water and on land (**see** **TADPOLE**). **Have a f. in one's throat**, have condition in throat making voice rough. **'f.(s)-march**, **n., v.t.** Taking of person away, face down, by 4 men gripping his arms and legs. (**frog**). **frog**, **n.** Elastic horn-like substance in middle of under part of horse's foot. **frog**, **n.** Ornament of twisted cord forming buttonhole. **'frolic** (**frolicked**), **i. v.i.** Be playing, jumping about, happily. **2. n.** A frolicking, play, amusement. **-some**, **a.** (With tendency to) frolicking. (**'frolik**). **from**, **prep.** Opp. to; opp. till; out of; because of; away in relation to (**5 miles f. London**); with (time or thing named) as starting-point; in relation to (**released f. obligations**); in comparison with (**different f.**); based on, as a copy of. **Far f. (doing, being)**, not at all, not in any way; **f. day to day**, every day; **f. life (nature)**, copying the thing itself; **f. (one amount) to (another)**, between (one amount) and (another); **f. time to time**, sometimes, not regularly; **keep f. doing**, not do or let do. (**from** (**frrm**)). **frond**, **n.** Feather-like leaf; [**Sc.**] leaf-like part, gen. producing seeds, in certain plants such as **FERNS**. (**frrnd**). **front**, **i. n.** (Of body) side where face is; most important side of anything; most forward part of anything; [**Mil.**] fighting-line; forward, important, position; road, part, of seaside town facing sea. **In f. (of)**, before in space; **put on a bold f.**, an air of having no fear. **2. a.** Of, at, the **f. F. bench**, seats for **MINISTERS** in **PARLIAMENT**. **3. v.t. & i.** Have front facing; put a **f.** on. **-age**, **n.** Land edging street or water; front of store etc. **-al**, **a.** Of or on the front, sp., of the head. (**frrnt**). **'frontier**, **n.** Line of division between 2 countries. (**'frantia**). **'frontispiece**, **n.** Picture facing front page of book. (**'frantispi:**). **frost**, **i. n.** Condition of cold under 0° C.; powder-like coat of ice on earth etc. formed from water in air; [**Com.**] something doing badly, not coming up to hopes. **2. v.t.** Do damage to (plant) by **f.**; get covered (as) with **f.**, get

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(cake) covered with frosting; give frosted look to (glass, metal). **'f.-bite**, **n.** Damage to body from great cold. **'f.-bitten**, **a.** Having frost-bite. **-ing**, **n.** Sugar mixed with water etc. (**frost**). **froth**, **i. n.** **FOAM**; anything without weight or substance like **f.** **2. v.i.** **FOAM**. (**froθ**). **'froward**, [**Old**] **a.** Bad-humoured, not readily controlled. (**'frouəd**). **frown**, **i. v.i. & t.** Get skin between or over eyes pulled together, making lines, sp. as sign of angry feeling. **F. on**, be against, not give approval to. **2. n.** Frowning look. (**fraun**). **frowst**, [**Com.**] **n.** Warm, used air in room. (**fraust**). **'frowzy**, **a.** Dirty, uncared-for. (**'frouzi**). **'frozen**. **See** **FREEZE**. **'fructify**, **v.t. & i.** Make, become, fertile. (**'fraktifai**). **'frugal**, **a.** Using little (food, money); (of meal) cheap, small. (**'fru:gl**). **fruit**, **i. n.** Part of plant in which seed is formed; sweet **f.**, gen. of trees, as food; outcome, thing produced. **The ff. of the earth**, all plant produce of use for food. **2. v.i.** (Of tree) have **f.** **-erer**, **n.** Trader in fruit. **-ful**, **a.** Fertile; producing good outcome. **fru'ition** (**fru:'iʃn**), **n.** Desired outcome (of hopes etc.). **-less**, **a.** Sp., having no effect, coming to nothing. **-y**, **a.** Sp., tasting like fruit. (**frrut**). **frump**, **n.** Badly dressed woman. (**frramp**). **frus'trate**, **v.t.** Get in way of designs of (person); make (designs) of no effect. (**frrs'treit**). **fry**, **n.** Fishes newly out of eggs. **Small f.**, unimportant persons. (**frai**). **fry**, **i. v.t. & i.** Get, be, cooked in fat. **2. n.** **Ce.** **an** inside parts of animals generally fried. **-ing-pan**, **n.** Flat vessel for frying. (**frai**). **'fuchsia**, **n.** Tree-like plant with hanging bell-like flowers. (**'fju:ʃə**). **'fuddle**, **v.t. & i.** Make foolish with drink etc.; **TIPPLE**. (**'fadl**). **fudge**, **n.** Sort of soft sweet; something foolish. (**fadʒ**). **'fuel**, **i. n.** Material for fire. **2. v.t. & i.** Put **f.** on (fire); (of or for ship) get store of **f.** (**'fjuəl**). **fug**, [**Hum.**] **n.** **FROWST**. (**ʃag**). **'fugitive**, **i. a.** Running away (**from**, sp. danger, law etc.); quickly going by. **2. n.** **F.** person. (**'fju:dʒitiv**). **fugue**, [**Mus.**] **i. n.** A form based on short **THEME(s)**, taken up by the different voices or parts in turn, and worked into complex design. **'fugal**, **a.** (**'fju:ɡ**). **'fulcrum**, **n.** Fixed point of support of **LEVER**, on which it is turned. (**'falkram**). **ful'fil**, **v.t.** Make become fact; give effect to; do, be, what is made necessary by (conditions, rules); put an end to by completing (work etc.). (**ful'fil**).

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full, 1. a. (Of vessel etc.) having in it all there is room for; having a great amount, number, in; complete; (of light, colour etc.) strong, deep; (of dress) with great amount of material falling in folds. *At f. speed*, as quickly as possible; *f. dress*, dress used at important events; *f. face*, as seen from in front; *f. figure*, fat, solid one; *f. moon*, seen as complete circle; *f. of*, sp., (of persons) with attention completely taken up by; *f. stop*, mark (.) used at end of statement etc.; *in f.*, with *f. details*; *in f. swing*, well started, going well; *to the f.*, to the limit, quite. 2. adv. Fully. *Go f. tilt*, go with force. **f-blooded**, a. Strong and healthy; of unmixed blood. **f-blown**, a. (Of flower etc.) quite open. *-y*, adv. Completely, quite. (ful).

full, v.t. Put (cloth) through process making clean and thicker. *Fuller's earth*, sort of powder used for fulling etc.

fulminate, v.i. & t. Go off with loud noise, as thunder; say fulminatingly; make loud, bitter protest against. (falmineit).

fulsome, a. (Of words, behaviour) overdoing attempt at pleasing, disgustingly sweet. (fulsəm).

fumble, v.i. & t. Be feeling about uncertainly with hands; do (something) badly. (fambl).

fume, 1. n. Strong-smelling smoke, gas given off (gen. ff.). 2. v.i. & t. Give off ff.; make (wood) dark by chemical ff.; give signs of angry humour. **fumigate** (fju:migeit), v.t. DISINFECT by use of fumes. (fju:m).

fun, n. Amusement, play. *In f.*, to give amusement, not seriously; *poke f. at*, make sport of (fan).

function, 1. n. Special work, operation, or purpose of a thing; person's special work; public event; [Math.] amount whose value is dependent on the changing value of some other. 2. v.i. Be in operation. *F. as*, do f. of. *-al*, a. (Of diseases etc.) having effect on function, not structure. *-ary*, n. OFFICIAL, sp. in connection with public function. (fankʃən).

fund, n. Store of something, sp., money put on one side for a purpose. *Ff.*, money; *in ff.*, having money. (fand).

funda'mental, 1. a. Of, forming, base; very important, necessary. 2. n. F. rule; necessary part. (fandə'mentl).

funeral, n., a. Taking of dead body to last resting-place with forms of religion etc. **fu'neral** (fju:'niəriəl), a. Of, like, a funeral. sad, dark. (fu'nəriəl).

fungus (rungi), n. Sort of plant without green leaves, living on dead or living substance of other plants or of animals.

fungoid, a. Fungus-like. **fungous**, a. Of, like, fungi. (fəngəs).

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fu'nicular, a. *F. railway*, train pulled up and down on chain etc. worked by engine at one end. (fju:'nikjula).

funk, [Com.] 1. n. Condition of great fear; one given to f. 2. v.i. & t. Be a f.; not do through f. (funk).

funnel, n. Pipe with wide mouth, for putting liquid into small opening; smoke outlet of engine or steamer. (fʌnl).

funny, a. Causing amusement; strange, causing surprise. **f-bone**, n. Elbow bone. (fani).

fur, 1. n. Soft, thick hair of certain animals; skin with f. used as material for clothing; bit of f. for neck; substance coating tongue of ill person; hard substance forming on inside of kettle etc. from water. *Ff.*, f. clothing. 2. v.t. Put f. on as ornament; get coated with f. **-rier** (fariə), n. Trader in, worker on, furs. (fə:).

furbelow, n. Unnecessary ornament on dress (*frills and ff.*). (fə:'bi:ləu).

furbish, v.t. Get polished; make (old thing) like new (gen. f. up). (fə:'biʃ).

furious, a. Violently angry; violent. (fjuəriəs).

furl, v.t. & i. Get (flag, sail, umbrella) rolled up. (fɜ:l).

furlong, n. 220 yards. (fɜ:lɒŋ).

furlough, n. Stretch of time given to person (sp. in army) to go away and take a rest from work. (fɜ:ləu).

furnace, n. Great oven for heating metals etc. in; shut-in fireplace for heating building by pipes. (fɜ:nis).

furnish, v.t. & i. Give, let have; put furniture in. **furniture**, n. Things, such as tables, seats, for house, room etc. (fɜ:nɪʃ).

fu'rore, n. Strong public approval, interest. (fu'rɔ:ri).

furrow, 1. n. Deep line made in earth by plough; deep line in face etc. 2. v.t. Make ff. in. (fə'rou).

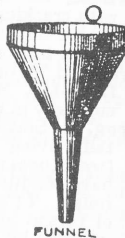
further, 1. adv. Farther; more, in addition. 2. a. Farther away; in addition, more. 3. v.t. Be of help to (undertaking etc.). **furthest**, a., adv. Farthest. **-more**, adv. In addition. **-most**, a. Farthest away. (fə:'ðə).

furtive, a. Secret, not open. (fɜ:tiv).

fury, n. Violently angry feeling; violent force (of wind etc.); angry woman. (fjuəri).

furze, n. Tree-like plant with yellow flowers and sharp points. (fɜ:z).

fuse, 1. v.t. & i. Make or become liquid through great heat; get (metals) joined, mixed, by fusing. 2. n. Bit of wire forming part of electric connection,



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which fuses when current is over-strong, so cutting it off. **fusion**, n. Sp., uniting of different things into one. (fju:z).

fuse, n. Narrow pipe or cord etc. of or with readily burning material for letting off BOMB etc.

fuselage, n. Framework of airplane. (fju:zila:ʒ).

fusi'lade, n. Quick firing of guns going on for a long time. (fju:zi'leɪd).

fusi'lier, n. Man of certain units of British army. (fju:zi'liə).

fuss, 1. n. Unnecessary noise and motion; (making) trouble over unimportant things. 2. v.i. & t. Make f.; make unnecessary small motions (*with*); make at a loss. *-y*, a. Sp., over-ornamented. (fas).

fustian, n. Sort of cotton cloth; high-sounding but hollow talk. (fʌstian).

fusty, a. Smelling of dust, old. (fʌsti).

futile, a. Of no use or effect. (fju:tail).

future, n., a. (Time, events) which will be after the present; [Lang.] used in statements about f. *Ff.*, (orders taken for) goods to be produced later; *for the, in, f.*, from now on. **futurism**, n. Certain school of art marked by violent change from old forms. **fu'turity**, n. Future time, events. (fju:tʃə).

fuzz, n. Frizz. *-y*, a. Sp., (of outline) not clear. (faz).

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G, [Mus.] 5th note in C MAJOR scale. (dʒi:).

gab, [Hum.] n. Talk. *Gift of the g.*, power of talking well, much. (gab).

gabble, v.i. & t., n. Be talking, say, quickly, not clearly. (gab).

gaberdine, n. Long, loose dress (as) of Jews; smooth, strong cloth. (gabə'di:n).

gable, n. Pointed top of wall between 2 slopes of roof. (geɪbl).

gad, v.i. Go about looking for pleasure, amusement. **-about**, n. One given to gadding. (gad).

gad-fly, n. Fly biting cows etc. (gadflai).

gadget, n. Small apparatus, instrument, machine-part. (gadʒɪt).

Gael, n. Person of Scot. Highlands. **-ic**, n., a. (Language) of Gaels. (geɪl).

gaff, 1. n. Hook for landing fish; rod for stretching top edge of sail. *Blow the g.*, [Com.] let out a secret. 2. v.t. Get (fish) with a g. (gaf).

gaffer, n. Old (sp., country-) man. (gafə).

gag, v.t. & i., n. (Put) thing in mouth of (person) to keep it open or person quiet, (of actor) (put in) words which are not in play. (gag).

gaga, [Hum.] a. Completely foolish, off one's head, sp., through being old. (gaga:).

gage, n. Thing given as SECURITY for debt or undertaking; glove etc. put down as sign that fight is desired with someone. (geɪdʒ).

'gaiety. See GAY.

gain, 1. v.t. & i. Get (thing desired, sp., profit); be helped, made better, (*by* something, *in* some way). *G. time*, get something put off for a time to give oneself better chance; *g. (up)on*, get nearer to. 2. n. Profit, thing gained. **-ful**, a. Producing profit. (geɪn).

gain'say (gainsaid), v.t. Say (statement, fact) is not true. (geɪn'sei (geɪn'sed)).

gait, n. Way of walking. (geɪt).

'gaiter, n. Bit of cloth or leather for covering lower part of leg. (geɪtə).

'gala, n. Time of public pleasure-making. *G. night etc.*, one on which special attractions are offered. (gə'lə).

'galantine, n. White meat cut up small, cooked in form of roll etc., and taken cold. (galənti:n).

'galaxy, n. Band of stars making part of sky brighter but not seen separately; group (of very noted persons etc.). (galəksi).

gale, n. Strong wind. (geɪl).

gall, n. BILE of lower animals; bitter feeling. **'g-bladder**, n. BILE vessel in body. **'g-stone**, n. Hard mass forming in gall-bladder. (gɔ:l).

gall, 1. v.t. Make bad place on (animal) by rubbing away skin; give wound to feelings of (person). 2. n. Gallad place; bitter, wounded, feelings.

gall, n. Growth on tree caused by insect.

'gallant, a. Without fear; (of ship, horse etc.) beautiful, moving well. **gal'lant**, n., a. (Man) pleasing to women, well-dressed; lover. **-ry**, n. Acting without fear; behaviour, words, (as) of a gallant. (galənt).

'galleon, [Hist.] n. Sorts of great Spanish ship of war or trader with sails. (galɪən).

'gallery, n. Covered walk open at one side; structure like BALCONY in room; stage forming higher floor in church etc.; (those in) highest, cheapest theatre seats; building where works of art are put on view. *Play to the g.*, do thing in poor taste to get approval of common public. (galəri).

'galley, n. [Hist.] Low, flat vessel with sails and OARS, gen. worked by prisoners; ship's cooking-place. (gali).

'galley, n. Metal tray on which letters are put in order for printing. **'g.-proof**, n. One produced before division into pages.

'Gallic, a. Of Gaul(s); French. **-ism** (galisizəm), n. F. way of saying thing, used in another language. (galik).

'gallivant, v.i. GAD. (galivənt).

'gallon, n. Unit of measure for liquids, grain etc., 4 quarts. (galən).